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Community responds to sexually harrassed student

By David H. Townsend '97
Editor-in-Chief

The Hamilton campus may not be as tolerant or as innocent as community members would like to believe. Several incidents involving hate speech and harassment have taken place over the last several weeks and created, as President Tobin has put it, "an intimidating and hostile environment."

About three weeks ago, Dunham was vandalized with words of hate written on the walls of almost every floor. While this incident didn't target a specific individual, a separate incident did. Around the same time, a student's door was defaced with phrases like, "dyke go home," and, "kill all queers."

Most recently, in a letter to the editor in *The Spectator*, a student told of her experience as a victim of sexual harassment at a halloween party in Bundy. The incident involved severely harsh language and some violent physical contact. In her letter, Stacey Corbin '99 recounted being yelled at and punched in the face while others at the party stood by and watched.

The guilty parties have not been identified in any of the incidents. Security is still looking to find the people involved in the vandalism. If they are found, they will be subject to Hamilton's judicial process, which may or may not mean going in front of the Judicial Board.

A person guilty of harassment must be turned in by the victim for any action to be taken against them.

Most students believe that incidents of this severity are rare at Hamilton. This may not be the case. After the publishing of her letter, Corbin received mixed support from the community. Several letters to her expressed support for her position, but

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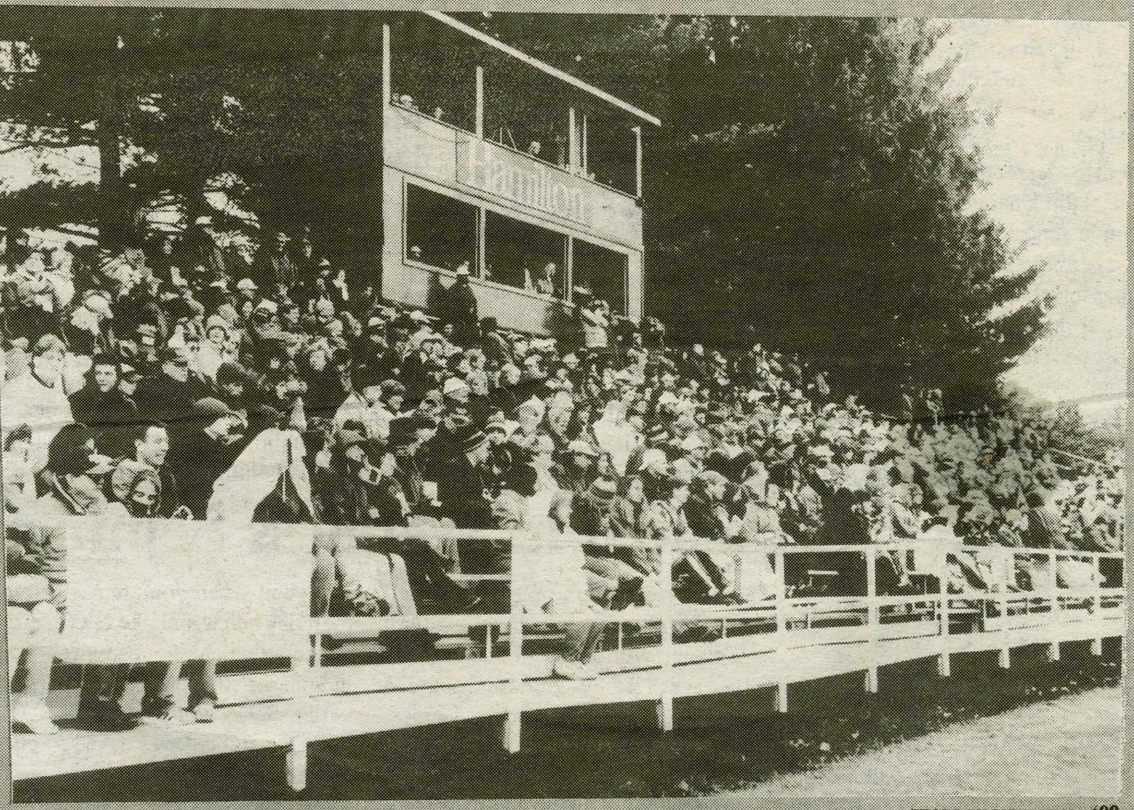

PHOTO BY RITY MONGA '99

Families joined the Hamilton faithful in the stands at Steuben Field on Saturday during Family Weekend. Despite the support, the Conts fell to Middlebury. Story, Page 20.

Student vehicles damaged, items stolen during five-day campus lot robbery spree

By Sam Evans '00
Associate News Editor

Lock your car doors and leave no personal belongings in your car when you leave it in any of Hamilton's parking lots. A recent rash of break-ins and vandalisms has questioned just how safe are cars left on campus. Eleven break-ins and or vandalisms have been reported between October 31 and last night alone.

But the problem is not limited to the Hamilton campus, according to Patricia Ingalls, director of Campus Safety. There have been many related problems in neighboring Franklin's Spring, as well as in Clinton. So far, more incidents have been reported than during all of last year.

The most recent break-in was reported on Monday, where two cars in the Fieldhouse lot were both burglarized and vandalized. Other cases have involved smashed windows, petty and large theft, and in one incident a tire iron was used to pry open a car door in order to rob it, according to Ingalls.

Jackie Tracy '99 said her car was violently burglarized in North Lot some time between 10:30 p.m. last Wednesday and 1:30 a.m. last Thursday. The criminal broke the right passenger window, and then proceeded to smash the glove box open with a crowbar. In the process of breaking the glove box, Tracy said, the thief broke the windshield.

She has filed a police report, but she says that there is nothing else she can do right now. "I'm not sure if North Lot is a safe place," she said. "It's not very well lit."

Campus Safety is working closely with the Kirkland Police Department, she encouraged. Both bodies are instituting special patrols to ease the wave of crime.

"People are angry and they don't feel safe," said Ingalls. "Which is legitimate." She recommended not leaving any articles, even if they seem to be relatively worthless, in parked cars. She also encourages students to report any suspicious persons or activities to Campus Safety at x4000.

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CARS BROKEN INTO OR VANDALIZED

ITEMS STOLEN:
Six car stereos • Two car stereo speakers
Two pairs of sunglasses • One radar detector
Cellular phone • Assorted CDs

CAMPUS LOTS BURGLARIZED:

Babbitt Lot:	3 incidents
Fieldhouse Lot:	3 incidents
Milbank Lot:	2 incidents
Root Extention Lot:	2 incidents
North Lot:	1 incident

Curriculum, affirmative action, CAP on faculty meeting agenda

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Staff Reports

The faculty meeting ended in unique fashion this past Tuesday. It ended early. During the meeting, the faculty looked at the progress of curriculum review, discussed the possible change of adding two holidays to the College calendar, and looked at affirmative action as it applies to hiring within the faculty. As usual, President Tobin addressed the meeting and Dean of Faculty Bobby Fong reported on the progress of the facilities audit that the College is undertaking.

The Committee on Academic Policy (CAP) has divided the faculty into seven subcommittees to review the curriculum at Hamilton. Reports from these committees were circulated by e-mail prior to the meeting to allow more time for discussion and less for explanation. These committees will eventually make recommendations regarding the curriculum to CAP. CAP will then present any changes to the entire faculty for approval.

The Community subcommittee has been discussing the possibility of adding a community service requirement for graduation, and how such a requirement would be assessed. Interest was expressed in developing classes that would incorporate community service into the course work.

Concerns about such a requirement were that Hamilton might be thought of as identifying with a "politically correct" liberal agenda, and perhaps with church affiliated schools. The danger of such perceptions, the committee thought, would be that they might scare potential students away.

The Place of Languages subcommittee is looking at foreign language requirements. This committee, chaired by Professor of Psychology Jonathan Vaughan, is anxious to increase the standards of proficiency in a second language that Hamilton requires of its students. Concerns about a foreign language requirement were that if all students were required to master a second language, then the quality of classes might decline.

Curriculum review is an ongoing process that may or may not result in concrete changes in the curriculum.

The calendar change proposed

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Sexual harrassment: People 'tend to brush it off'

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for every letter of kindness, there was a letter that blamed her for the incident or faulted her for speaking out against it. Perhaps even more disturbing, were some of the responses she got from members of the community who told her of similar situations they had been involved in. "Some were much worse than mine," she said.

While the frequency of serious harassment might be surprising to many people, harassment to a lesser degree is nothing new at Hamilton. "I think harassment happens here a lot, but people tend to brush it off," says Katherine Cooper '98. "People don't seem to label sexual harassment as such, even though it clearly is."

"I think that even if it does happen a lot, most people aren't willing to report it or talk about it," said Mary Beth Berberick '98. Such is the case with many of the people who responded to Stacey.

Although she encouraged victims to speak out, most were reluctant to do so. "They were afraid to speak out because they don't feel the environment is supportive here," said Corbin.

The Administration has tried to make the environment more comfortable for those who wish to speak out against sexual harassment by forming the Sexual Harassment Grievance Board. According to Jennifer Potter Hayes, the chair of the committee, they try to address the problems from the victims perspective, with individual interactions.

> **"[Victims] were afraid to speak out because they don't feel the environment is supportive here." —Stacey Corbin '99**

When a student approaches a member of the Board with a problem, that victim is counseled on how to deal with the situation. The second level is for a mediator to talk with the person who is accused of harassment. This could be just the mediator and the accused, or the discussion could include the victim. The third level of the Board's involvement would be a formal hearing.

"The Sexual Harassment Grievance Board can help, but not unless people come to us," said Jennifer Potter-Hayes. When asked how often harassment cases are brought to the Board, Jennifer Potter-Hayes said, "not often," but pointed out that because of the way the Board operates she is not aware of all cases that members deal with.

According to Corbin, the Sexual Harassment Grievance Board is a good attempt at trying to deal with these problems, but several things about it must be changed in order to make it a truly effective body.

The Hamilton administration is adamant that incidents of this type will not be tolerated. Tobin said, "I want to send a clear message that I will not condone or tolerate any act that threatens, demeans or abuses any member of the community."

"This is a problem for the community as a whole," says Nancy Thompson, Assistant Dean of Students. She feels that Hamilton must deal with these events of intolerance and harassment by asking why these things happen. Educational types of things, she hopes will "foster a sense of community where these things don't happen."

Although Corbin knows that other people share her experience with sexual harassment, she is frustrated by the fact that few speak out against it. "Its really hard when you feel so alone," she said.

HIV facts presented in Wellness Seminar

By Kathy Webber '00
News Staff Writer

As part of the Wellness Seminar Series, a lecture on HIV-AIDS was presented on Wednesday evening in the Red Pit. Liz Brush and Tammy Alcott from Sherburne-Earlville Central School presented facts and information for college students on the transmission and prevention of HIV.

Throughout the seminar, Brush and Alcott organized many audience participation activities for the students. Students were encouraged to discuss ideas and opinions during the activities.

To begin the session, Alcott and Brush presented a few thought provoking statements such as "I would become romantically involved with someone with HIV." Students were then asked if they agreed or disagreed with the statement and to support their decisions through discussion.

To demonstrate their knowledge on how HIV is spread, students were also asked to rate different activities as low or high risk for HIV transmission.

In addition to facts and statistics on HIV-AIDS, Brush and Alcott also shared valuable information about anonymous and confidential testing procedures here at Hamilton and at local clinics.

Brush and Alcott enforced the idea that alcohol can impair your judgment when you are performing high risk behaviors like sex. In order to show that alcohol can affect your judgment, students had to perform various tasks while inhibited.

One student was asked to put a condom on a banana while blindfolded with socks on his hands. This demonstrated how some tasks are difficult when one is under the influence of alcohol.

The audience found the session informative and interesting, and many agreed that the seminar was well presented. Because audience participation was incorporated into the lecture, students were able to share their fears and thoughts.

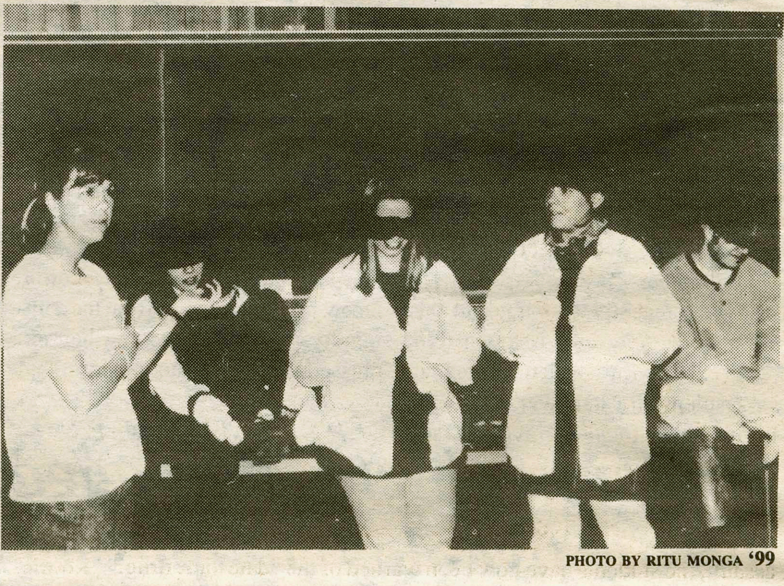

PHOTO BY RITU MONGA '99

Audience participation activities highlighted the HIV-AIDS lecture on Wednesday in the Red Pit.

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Claassen memorial today

A memorial service has been scheduled for Benjamin Claassen, the Hamilton College first-year student who died with his father in a plane crash two weeks ago. The service will take place today, November 8, at 4 p.m. in the Hamilton Chapel.

Claassen was returning to the college after a fall break weekend at his home in Washington D.C. The single engine plane went down in the woods behind Brookside School in Chadwicks. National Transportation Safety Board investigators are still determining the cause of the accident.

Indian Festival tonight

Hamilton's Office of Multicultural Affairs will host an Indian Diwali Festival today from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. The celebration will take place in the Filius Events Barn. Admission is $3 for students, $2 for children under 10 and $5 for the general public.

The Hamilton celebration will include traditional prayer, followed by dance performance. It will also feature New York City disc jockey Joginda Sharma and the Banghra Dance Party. For more information, or to purchase tickets, contact Kerry Sethi at 859-4021, or the Oxford Road Grocery Store at 724-5232.

Geologists back from Denver

Seven members of the community attended the annual meeting of the Geology Society of America in Denver, Colorado last week. Four seniors and three professors were in attendance as 6,000 geological experts from around the country gave talks in their respective fields.

The conference lasted from Sunday, October 27 through Thursday, October 31. Seniors Amy Taylor, Dan Cuccia, Adam Maltese, and Eric Jacobson along with professors Barbara Tewksbury, Dave Bailey, and Eugene Domack were all present.

The students and faculty attended the various lectures given by the geologists. Three of the four seniors that went on the trip had worked on some of the talks prior to attending the conference, and they were mentioned in the abstracts. Taylor said the trip "was great. We had never been to one [conference] before."

The students were responsible for paying for the airfare on their own, but the geology department supplied funds for the registration fees. Prior to leaving, the students successfully petitioned the Dean of the Faculty for money to cover the costs of the housing during their stay.

"It was good to hear the talks that the geologists gave on the different subjects," said Taylor. "The people were all experts in their field and to hear what they had to say was awesome."

The students and faculty also attended a Hamilton College Alumni reunion at one of the professor's hotels. According to Taylor the trip on the whole was a very successful one. "It was really interesting, and I think that everyone that went was glad that they did."

RHC attends Maine conference

Five students attended a NEACURH (North East Association College and University Residence Halls) (RHC) Residence Hall Counsel conference at the University of Maine from Nov. 1 to Nov. 3.

Approximately 300 students from 30 colleges and universities, ranging from New York to Canadian schools attended. Each college presented workshops on various issues of residential life and organization, including programming, fundraising, as well as specialty housing.

NEACURH held discussion groups to examine the problems of stress and sexuality - two major issues in residence halls across the nation. It helped us prepare for upcoming issues, such as the laundry contract negotiations scheduled to be held on November 12th and 19th in ELS, according to one student.

The following attended the conference: Co-Presidents of the RHC Kat Charles, RA (Residential Advisor) in Dunham and Spencer Midlin of North, Co-treasurers Erika Dorman of Kirkland, Rafael Arias of South, and Secretary Heather Rae Obleman of Rogers.

HC Democrats run mock vote

The Hamilton College Democrats conducted a mock election on Tuesday. The results were very different from the national percentages.

On the Presidential level, President Clinton received 67 percent of the vote, Senator Dole received 23 percent of the vote, and Ross Perot received seven percent of the vote. Ralph Nader won two percent of the vote on this campus.

On a national scale, the percentages were 49 percent, 42 percent, and eight percent respectively. On a Congressional level, the Democratic candidate received a high 64 percent of the vote, while the Republican candidate only won 36 percent.

On a national level, the Republicans held their control of the House of Representatives, but by a narrower margin. 191 students were polled in this mock election.

The Hamilton College Democrats want to thank everyone who participated.

CAB Board visits NACA

Six members of the Campus Activities Board Executive Board recently attended the National Association for Campus Activities (NACA) conference in Lancaster, PA. The three day East Coast Regional conference provided C.A.B. with the opportunity to attend educational sessions, showcases of rising performers, and share ideas with other schools from different states. Students had the opportunity to book the performers for their colleges after the shows.

This year, C.A.B. won the Best Programming award in the region for their Acoustic Coffeehouse series and the Graphic Arts award for their calendars. The conference proved very beneficial for C.A.B., who is constantly seeking new ideas to better and diversify campus programming.

Winter parking notice

The Town of Kirkland's winter parking restrictions have gone into effect. The restrictions are not new, but many people may not be aware of them.

All vehicles parked in village streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. and on all town roads between 2:00 and 8:00 a.m. will be ticketed. If snow is falling or on the ground, such vehicles will be towed immediately.

Further, the following Town parking lots have been restricted: the lot in front of the Cannonball Theater, the lot across from the fire station and the lot next to Snip N' Clip.

IVORY TOWERS

THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

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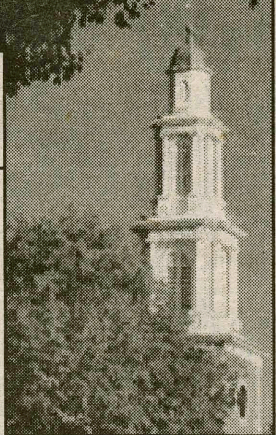


Temple classrooms on-line

Temple University completed their new on-line classrooms last week. These "virtual classrooms" enable any student to attend classes from the comfort and convenience of their own homes.

The on-line learning program revolves around weekly assignments. The professor posts the assignments on a website at the beginning of the week and the students are required to access the assignment and to return the completed work to the professor by the end of the week. The professor would then evaluate the material and post a grade.

The courses that are being supported by the on-line learning program this semester are in the Intellectual Heritage, architectural, and dental fields of study. For the upcoming spring semester the program is offering five additional courses of study.

The birth of the program came about through the suggestion of the Distance Education Committee, a subcommittee of the Teaching-Learning and Technology Committee, in 1995.

"Although limited, the program so far is successful," said Catherine Schifter, the director of the on-line learning program. When asked why the program was created she replied, "we wanted to reach out to everyone."

A faculty member speaking on the condition of anonymity did not like the idea of the on-line learning program. "No, not particularly. Students should have the immediacy of an instructor right there. The computer is a useful tool, but it's only a tool."

When students were asked if they like the idea of the on-line learning program most responded by saying that the program would be advantageous and yet disadvantageous at the same time.

"Yes and no," said Quin Hall, 19, a BTMM major. "I like the convenience of it but I don't like the idea of not having the interpersonal relationship between the student and the teacher. It's a critical part of our education."

Roofie drug adds fear at Bucknell

Since Bucknell had taken measures to heighten awareness about sexual assault, the students have now been warned of the "date-rape drug." "Roofie-rape," the spiking of someone's drink with the prescription drug known as Rohypnol and then raping that person, has been characterized as "the perfect crime."

Rohypnol is prescribed for sleeping disorders and has been implicated in over 2,400 criminal rape cases across the country.

Vincent DeCerchio, director of Public Safety at Bucknell, commented that he has heard rumors of possible situations where the drug may have been used at the University.

However, DeCerchio added, there is no evidence, information or names of anyone who is willing to come forward.

Most frequently the white, odorless tablet is slipped into a victim's beverage without leaving a trace. The sedative effects of a 2 mg dose of Rohypnol may begin to surface within 20 to 30 minutes after ingestion. Drowsiness, impaired motor skills for up to 12 hours, impaired judgment, disinhibition, dizziness and confusion are some of the symptoms of Rohypnol.

Perhaps the most detrimental effect for victims of "roofie-rape" is amnesia. A person under the influence of Rohypnol alone may appear to be intoxicated, however, the person will be able to pass a breathalyzer test. It has been reported that Rohypnol is more than 10 times as potent as Valium.

The pill, which sells for about $3 to $5 per tablet on the street, has "Roche" encoded on one side of the tablet. Also, there is either a (1) or (2) encircled on one side of the tablets and a single or cross score on the opposite side. These markings have been referred to as minuses and pluses.

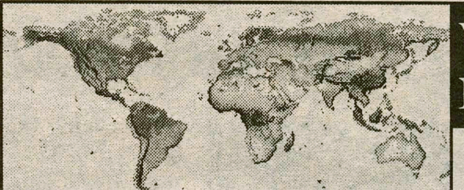
Colgate frats sponsor mountain biking challenge

On Sunday, Theta Chi will be sponsoring a mountain bike challenge to benefit Heritage Farms, a local organization that plans activities for the mentally handicapped.

The 6.5 mile race is open to all and costs $ 25 per person and $100 per group-sponsored person. An additional $25 will be charged for each extra group member. So far, the biggest group is somewhere between three and five people.

Although the race will be co-ed, Co-Chair of the event junior Chi McLean said that prizes for first, second and third place winners will be given to one man and one woman each. Both first place winners will take home $25 and dinner for two at the Colgate Inn. For men, the second place finisher will win five pizzas from New York Pizzeria, while the third place winner will earn gear from Guy's Bicycle Shop. The woman who places second will win subs from Rodger's Deli and the third place finisher will be presented with a coffee gift pack from the Barge Canal Coffee Company.

"The whole brotherhood is really excited about it, the sponsors have been supportive and (Director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs) Tom Dubreuil has been helpful," McLean said. "I'd especially like to thank Professor Dave Lightfall for cutting new trails designed specifically for mountain bikers' needs. I hope a lot of people come out (for the race). It should be a great event."



WORLD NEWS

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Zaire rebels sign cease-fire, refugee problem remains unsolved

BUKAVU, Zaire—Rebels who seized parts of eastern Zaire agreed to a temporary cease-fire with the government of Zaire on Monday. The same group of Tutsi-backed rebels who accepted the cease-fire emphasized that the cease-fire is only temporary and vowed to continue fighting until Zaire's longtime ruler Mobutu Sese Seko is ousted. Although the fighting has stopped, a massive refugee crises in eastern Zaire has worsened over the past week.

Since the cease-fire began on Monday, more than 400 refugees have died; mainly from the lack of water. Refugees are "dying like flies" in the harsh mountains of eastern Zaire, a U.N. official said. On Thursday, the rebels rejected an American or European role in any peacekeeping or humanitarian force planned for the region. Only soldiers from neighboring African countries should take part in a multinational force designed to bring relief to more than 1 million refugees trapped by the fighting, said rebel leader Laurent Kabila. So far, France, Spain, and Ethiopia have offered to send troops and the U.S. has offered "logistical support" for the operation. (CNN)

Yeltsin recovering well, resumes powers

MOSCOW — Bouncing back one day after receiving a quintuple bypass, Boris Yeltsin on Wednesday reclaimed his presidential powers. That same day Yeltsin was taken off a respirator and was told he could resume light duties in six to eight weeks.

Yeltsin, 65, signed a decree early Wednesday morning which gave him back control of Russia's nuclear arsenal and the other powers that he had delegated to Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin for 23 hours. Russian cardiologist Renat Akchurin, who led the operation, declined on Tuesday to say how many bypasses were performed, prompting speculation that Yeltsin's condition was worse than initially announced, when doctors estimated he would need only three to four bypasses. U.S. heart surgeon Michael DeBakey who oversaw the operation later confirmed that Yeltsin received five bypasses. (CNN)

Fierce storm kills at least 374 in southeast India

HYDERABAD, India — A fierce storm hit southeastern India with hurricane-force winds, uprooting trees and destroying thousands of acres of rice fields. At least 374 people were killed. The storm, packing winds up to 93 m.p.h., struck coastal Andhra Pradesh state on Wednesday night. Worst hit was the coastal city of Kakinada, 300 miles east of the state capital, Hyderabad, where the storm dumped 8.8 inches of rain. The storm blew the tiled roofs from some 10,000 houses, wrenched power poles from the earth and flooded roads and train tracks. Many of the fatalities occurred when the mud walls of houses collapsed on the victims. A few others drowned in the flood waters.

With more rain in the forecast, the government moved thousands of people to schools and storm shelters and organized three relief camps to feed the homeless. Authorities asked naval helicopters to determine the extent of the damage and ordered army soldiers to be on the standby. Sadly, the storm came as the coastal regions of the state were recovering from another storm last month that flooded large parts of the area and killed 350 people. (The Associated Press)

Australian gunman pleads guilty to 35 counts of murder, likely to receive life sentence

HOBART, Australia—Laughing uncontrollably, 29-year-old Martin Bryant pleaded guilty Thursday to murdering 35 people in a shooting rampage at a popular Tasmanian tourist spot. Dropping his previous plea of innocent, Bryant admitted to the April 28 attack, in which he opened fire with assault weapons on visitors at the picturesque Port Arthur colonial prison. Under Australian law, the guilty pleas mean Bryant, 29, will not be tried and will likely spend the rest of his life in prison or a mental institution. Australia does not have the death penalty.

He pleaded guilty to 35 counts of murder, 20 counts of attempted murder, three of causing grievous bodily harm, eight of wounding and six other charges. Bryant's rampage was the deadliest in modern-day Australia and no motive has been established for the attack. The killings stunned Australia and prompted the federal and state governments to agree to a sweeping ban on assault rifles, combat shotguns and semiautomatic pistols. (The Associated Press)

NATIONAL NEWS

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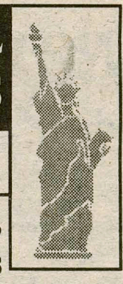


Clinton back, Republicans keep Congress

Americans chose Bill Clinton to be their president for a second term last Tuesday. Clinton, won a landslide victory in terms of electoral votes but only obtained about 50% of the popular vote. Clinton was most popular in the Northeast and California while Dole won in the South and Midwest. Ross Perot won less than 10% of the popular and as in 1992 received no electoral votes. In both houses of Congress, Republican candidates fared well and the GOP retained the majority they won in 1994. Voter turnout for the 1996 election was 48.8 percent; the lowest since 1824. Analysts cite Clinton's near-certain victory as the reason most people stayed home November 5th. Although its second term has not begun, the Clinton Administration has already experienced some cabinet reshuffling. This week, Secretary of State Warren Christopher, Defense Secretary William Perry, and Transportation Secretary Federico Pena announced plans to resign. Meanwhile, Bill Clinton thanked voters for choosing his as the "President that will bring America into the 21st century." (The Associated Press)

NASA spaceship bound for Mars

Amid controversial revelations by scientists of possible ancient life on Mars, NASA launched an unmanned mission to Mars Thursday, the first step in a multi-spacecraft mission to discover if there is or ever was life on the Red Planet. The spacecraft, Global Surveyor, is the first of 10 NASA probes bound for Mars in the next decade. Surveyor will take 10 months to make the 470-million-mile trip to Mars and another six months to ease into a mapping orbit. Later, it will dip into the planet's thin atmosphere, using its wing-like solar panels as brakes. It is the first of three spacecrafts, two U.S. and one Russian, destined for Mars this year. The next launch is Mars Pathfinder, equipped with a robotic ground vehicle, that is scheduled for lift-off December 2 and will land July 4, 1997, two months ahead of Surveyor's arrival at Mars. (CNN)

Mystery illness strikes Florida school

Federal health officials said they have still not determined why nearly a third of the students and faculty at a large Miami elementary school got sick last week. The symptoms of the mystery illness included vomiting, fever, cramps and diarrhea and they persisted up to 36 hours after first appearing. So far, more than 465 of the school's 1500 children and teachers have been violently ill. Also on Monday, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention visited the school to take stool samples from the students and teachers involved in the outbreak, in one last attempt to discover the outbreak's source. (CNN)

Barnard's Chancer discusses debates of modern feminism

BY ILKO MENKOV '00
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lynn Chancer of the Sociology Department at Barnard College and Columbia University gave a speech on Wednesday in Kirner-Johnson's Red Pit entitled "The Beauty Context: Debates about Sex and Sexism in Contemporary Feminism." The event was organized by the Sociology Department and the Kirkland Project for the Study of Gender, Society and Culture.

Students and faculty crowded the Red Pit to hear the energetic speaker. Chancer began her lecture by introducing a "frame of beauty" and its relation to feminism and sex debates. She described how the standards of beauty have changed during the past few decades.

Chancer stressed the fact that more people today undergo cosmetic operations. She related this fact to the idea of beauty within feminism. Chancer elaborated on Nancy Friday's concept that cosmetic surgery is incompatible with feminism.

The speaker discussed the historical development of the feminist movement. She talked about it from two opposite points of view: sexual subordination and sexual pleasure. The early feminist movement fought against sexual subordination, and there were no big differences among the activists. Later, as the movement began to diversify, there were efforts to keep it united. Feminist activists stressed "commonalities" among women, rather than differences. Inevitably, the contradictions between the opposite issues of sexual subordination and sexual pleasure led to a "split-up" in the movement.

PHOTO BY JULIE LOSAURO '99
Lynn Chancer of Barnard College spoke on "The Beauty Context" in the Red Pit last Wednesday.

According to Chancer, five "recurrent divides," which reflect the ideas of sexual subordinaton and pleasure, caused the "split-up." These five "divides" were sadomasochism, pornography, prostitution, violence against women, and beauty. Chancer discussed each one of these five causes.

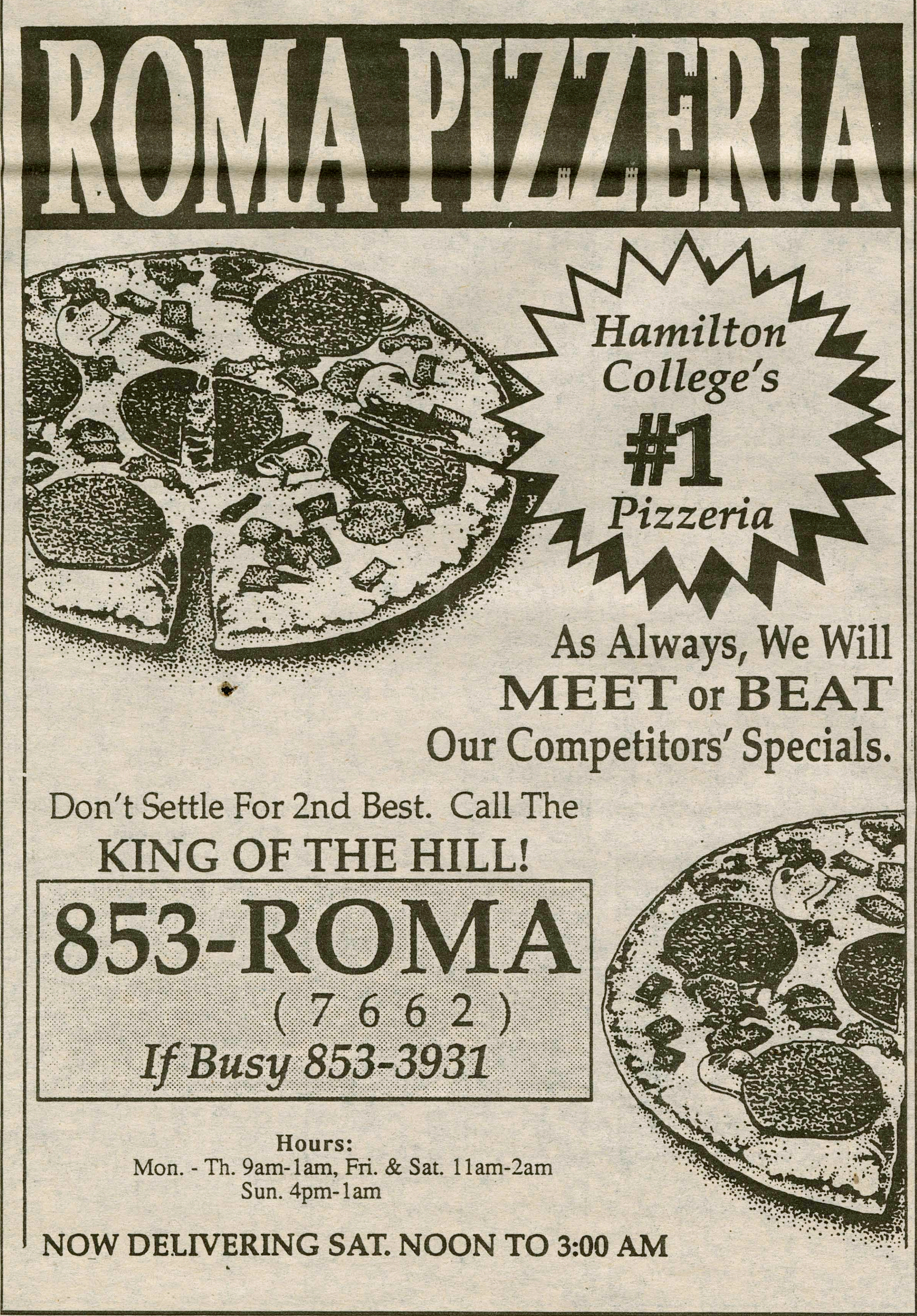
She explained to the audience the arguments over whether the "recurrent divides" could fit into feminism. According to Chancer, one could look at all the five causes of the "split-up" as sexual subordination, and therefore they cannot fit into the frame of feminism. On the other hand, one could look at them as sexual pleasure, which fits into the feminist frame.

Chancer also explained why the divides are recurring. She talked about her "media explanation," which represented the idea that the "split-up" was caused because the media had picked up all the "divides." The media tends to overemphasize the five causes of the split-up and evokes debates over them, she said.

Another explanation of the recurring divides was the idea that feminism is a social movement and as such, it can always undergo a "split-up." Other explanations of the "divides" included the notions of pluralism and diversity. The recurrence of the "divides" could also be caused by the ambivalent feelings of sexual subordination and pleasure that women experience in heterosexual relationships.

> **"Inevitably, the contradictions between the opposite issues of sexual subordination and sexual pleasure led to a "split-up" in the [feminist] movement."**

At the end of the lecture Chancer read an excerpt from her essay on beauty. After the applause, there was a question-and-answer session. Students and faculty were active in the discussion on feminist issues. The debate continued during the reception that followed the lecture.



Faculty discuss MLK Day, Labor Day as school holidays

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was presented to the faculty in a petition signed by 14 faculty members. The petition requests that Martin Luther King Day and Labor Day become class holidays. Reasons for a change in calendar were both practical and ethical. As it is now, the faculty and students operate without the support systems of the College since most take the days as holidays. The ethical reason was that the College should mark these days that honor labor in this country and the memory of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Discussion of this topic focused primarily on the logistics of a change. Some voiced concerns about state regulations involving the total number of hours required for credit. As it is now, Hamilton does not meet these requirements, and some expressed reluctance to push these regulations farther. The possibility of adding another day at the end of the semester is being studied, but cost concerns and others must be addressed. The issue was tabled for the calendar committee to address.

Affirmative action as it applies to the hiring of Hamilton faculty was not a hot topic of conversation at the meeting. Statistics regarding the hiring practices were distributed prior to the meeting, and discussion about them was limited.

The statistics point out that while the increase of women in tenured positions or those in positions eligible for tenure has increased, the same cannot be said for minorities. Minority hiring has not increased substantially. This is seen as a concern for future recruiting.

Another issue was the distribution of women and minorities across disciplinaries. Many seem to be clustered in the humanities. The study concluded that the College needs to increase efforts to diversify faculty representation in departments.

Bobby Fong presented progress on the facilities audit being done by the firm of Dober, Lidsky, Craig and Associates, Inc. The goal of the study as defined to the faculty is to "examine, identify, quantify, analyze, and review data and information about spaces and buildings in the academic facility inventory, so as to determine the locations, type and sequence of building improvements to be considered in the next round of campus revitalization and institutional advancement." A final report of this study will be made to the College in June of 1997.

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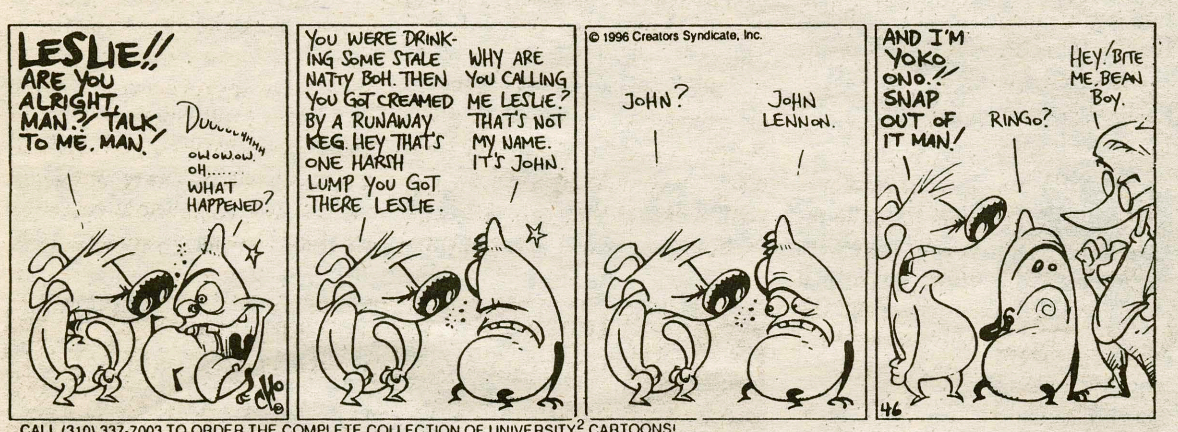

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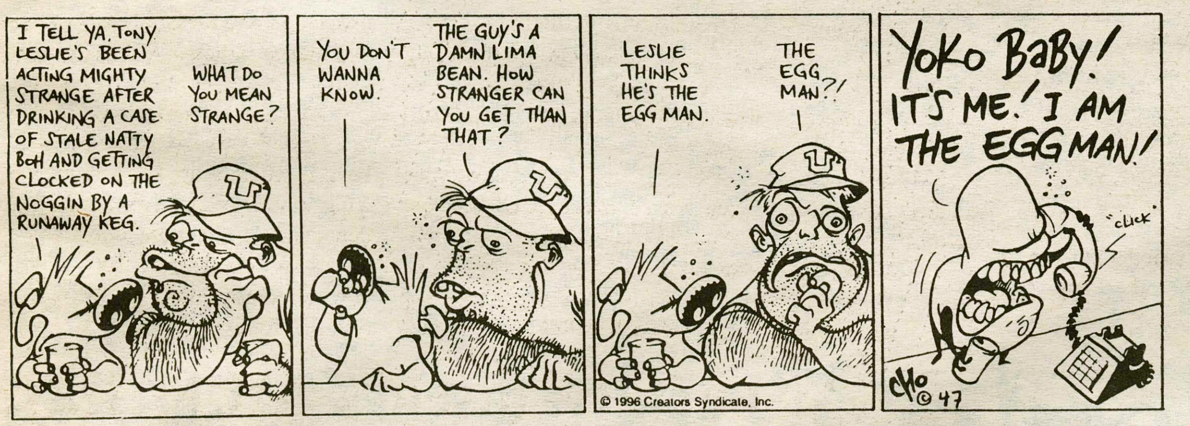

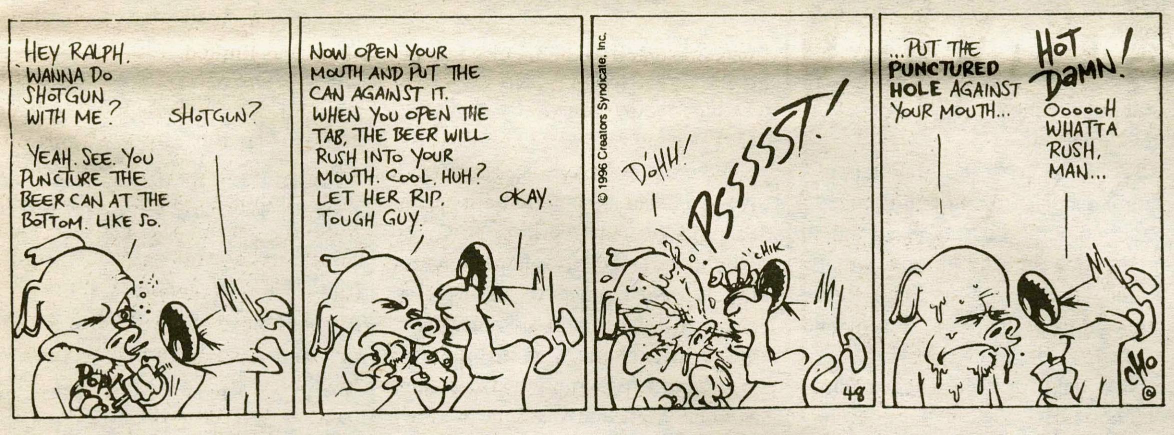

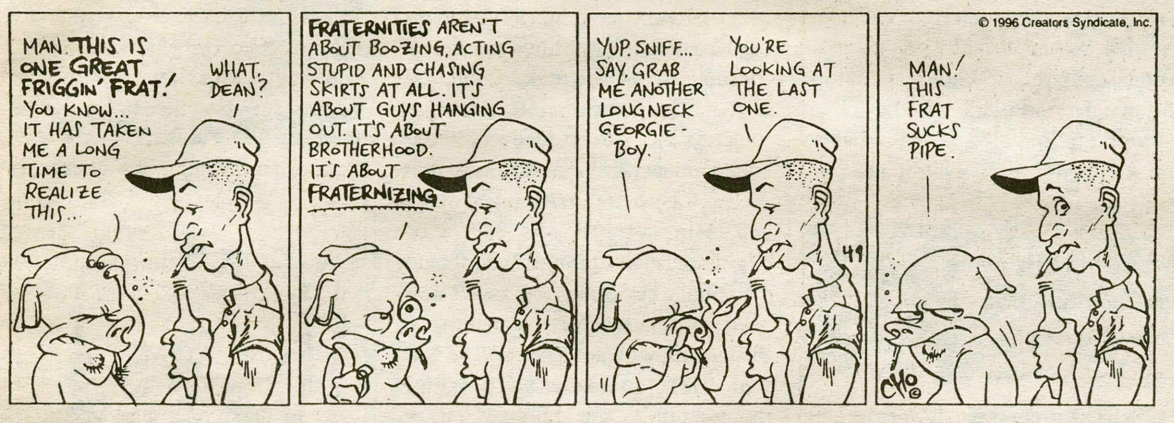

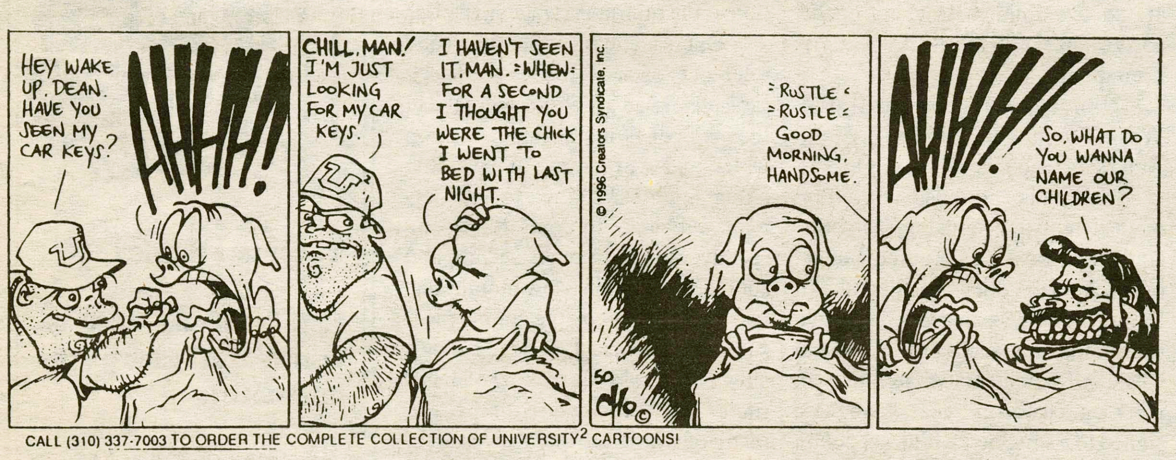

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SECURITY BLOTTER

—compiled by Joe Freeman '00

OCTOBER 31

12:10 a.m. A car was broken into and a stereo was stolen in North Lot.

9:00 p.m. A mysterious fire alarm was triggered in Macintosh.

NOVEMBER 1

8:45 p.m. A two car accident was reported near Minor Theater.

11:40 p.m. Security confiscated a keg of beer in Dunham.

NOVEMBER 2

12:00 a.m. A smoke detector set off a fire alarm at Griffin Rd.

NOVEMBER 3

9:30 a.m. Security responded to reports of a hit and run accident on the Bundy Drive.

10:00 a.m. Security discovered a car with a broken window and a pair of speakers missing in the Babbitt Lot.

11:30 a.m. Another case of car vandalism and theft was reported in the Milbank Lot.

12:00 p.m. The passenger side window of an automobile was discovered broken in Milbank Lot.

12:25 p.m. A stereo was reported stolen out of a vandalized car.

12:30 p.m. Security investigated another vandalized car in Babbitt Lot. Two pairs of sunglasses were reported stolen.

1:00 p.m. A car window was discovered broken, and a radar detector and assorted CD's were missing from a car parked near the Fieldhouse.

NOVEMBER 4

4:40 a.m. Security responded to a report of a vandalized car with its stereo stolen in the Fieldhouse Lot.

5:00 a.m. Security discovered another car in the Fieldhouse Lot with its windows broken and its stereo removed.

8:25 a.m. A fire alarm malfunctioned in Babbitt.

2:30 p.m. A car stereo was discovered stolen in Babbitt Lot.

7:05 p.m. A CD player and a cellular phone were stolen from a vandalized car in the Root Extension Lot.

8:30 p.m. The passenger side window of a car was broken in the Root Extension Lot.

NOVEMBER 5

12:43 p.m. The intruder alarm went off at Alpha Delta Phi House.

9:40 p.m. Security confiscated bulk alcohol at Griffin Rd.

NOVEMBER 6

9:05 p.m. A malfunction triggered a fire alarm in Dunham.

Searching for a meaningful career in Eastern Europe

Chris O'Conner graduated from Hamilton College in 1985. This article is the first in a two part series detailing his experiences in Lithuania.

BY CHRIS O'CONNER '85
SPECIAL TO THE *SPECTATOR*

September 29, 1996 - Birflai, North Central Lithuania - Secondary School number 4. I am sitting in the back of a Lithuanian high school class watching, Ron, one of my American teacher volunteers, beguile his 11th grade English class with tales of how a modern airport works. Ron, a retired Air Force pilot, is just the man for this lesson. Ron is a gifted speaker with a warm smile and silver white hair. He would be a great choice to play the role of Moses or Socrates in anybody's film. He makes great facial expressions imitating friendly airport ticket handlers and gruff airport security staff and draws some great airport diagrams on the blackboard. His students seem to really like him and they participate in Ron's airport role play exercise with gusto.

I can't help but think of the unusual series of events that have placed Ron and me together on this day in a charming, but otherwise modest and typical high school in a provincial Lithuanian town. For Ron, a benevolent man with a heart of gold, it is a sabbatical and an opportunity to augment his teaching career as a New Mexico college chemistry teacher with some overseas experience and, perhaps, to give him some breathing space after a recent divorce. For me, it is watching a personal dream come true - to bring American teachers to a new country that wants to become a part of the world economy and that desperately needs 500 English teachers.

It has been a tumultuous decade in Eastern Europe and I have had the fortune of watching it change, and in some modest way, of contributing to its hopeful development. After graduating from Hamilton College with a degree in Russian Studies in 1985 and with a vague desire to start a career in public service, I went to work for a large national intelligence agency as an "analyst." Most of what I did was and still is classified. For 9 years I spent a lot of time familiarizing myself with a variety of aspects of life in the former Soviet Union and former Eastern bloc. It was at times exciting and very interesting work and the "mission" was always obvious — there was a cold war going on.

This, of course, started to change in 1989 when all the Eastern European totalitarian governments collapsed and Soviet military units were removed from the formerly Warsaw pact countries. When the Soviet Union imploded and seemed to vanish overnight in 1991, my mission as a Russian/Soviet intelligence analyst seemed to vanish with it. Coincidentally, the Soviet Union and my marriage of 4 years came to an end in the same week. Work became mundane very quickly and I was reaching an emotional and professional crisis at the age of 28.

Fortunately, I was given an assignment in Germany and was able to play a few absolutely frivolous and temporary support roles for the monumental arms control treaties. I was able to travel to Russia, the Ukraine and several other nations in Eastern Europe in 1992 and 1993. It was a great opportunity to meet with the people of this rapidly changing part of the world. The contacts, however, were fleeting and superficial and only served to deepen my professional anxiety. I wanted to work in this environment that I had so long studied and monitored from afar, but never had a chance to participate in first hand. I had volunteered part-time to teach English in Baltimore to Jewish émigrés from Russia and found this to be the most stimulating work I have ever done. I wanted and needed to make a meaningful career change and, hopefully, redirect my skills in a new and creative way rather than be an occasional interloper in the area of the world that I had so long studied.

The easy solution would have been to stay at a successful albeit tedious government career, maintain a comfortable salary and stay home in the greater Washington suburbs while taking fleeting trips to the East. I could have wasted away the decades in narcissistic comfort, arrogantly complaining about traffic congestion and sampling gourmet foods and micro-brewery beers at trendy cafes, trying to find a life partner with similar interests and compassion. I could have compiled an enormous compact disc collection, taken steadily more extravagant vacations and acquired a great deal of equity and financial strength until. I eventually could have retired and died having lived a thoroughly superfluous life in which I had never really challenged myself or taken any significant risk. However, thankfully, this was not to be the case.

In 1994 when the threat of a return to communism in the East had completely evaporated I finally took the career plunge. I permanently resigned from government, sold my much-too-large dream home in Catonsville, Maryland and my Toyota Celica and became a WorldTeach volunteer in Poland. WorldTeach is a non-government version of the Peace Corps and is run by the Harvard Institute for International Development. WorldTeach has programs in 9 select countries around the world and Poland was the only program they had in Eastern Europe.

I had studied a year of Polish in college and been intrigued by Polish history for a long time. I was also curious to immerse myself into a completely new career, language and culture and to learn first hand what life in Eastern Europe was really all about. WorldTeach gave me and my fellow volunteers, all young, dynamic people (probably the most selfless group of people I have ever known) a month-long orientation of language, culture and ESL training in Warsaw before sending us on one year assignments to teach English in high schools and colleges throughout Poland.

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It is so much different being an active and engaged person in a foreign country rather than a passive tourist, business, or government visitor who is sheltered from experiencing and interacting in the real day-to-day existence of ordinary people. From the first moment of my new assignment in Poland my senses were all activated trying to perceive and make sense of a new country and language that I had to understand in order to accomplish my job as a volunteer teacher.

For the first time I had a skill - English - that I could readily use to benefit others who needed it. English is the one international language which will be necessary for all future international business, culture and tourism throughout the world. English is the official language of over 40 nations. It is the language of international maritime navigation, international aviation, international computing and of virtually any international conference. Whole generations of people worldwide will depend on a working knowledge of English to make their future livelihoods possible. The great travesty is that there are so few English teachers in the parts of the world that so desperately need them.

Under the terms of the WorldTeach contract in Poland, American teachers were assigned to needy schools, provided with very modest rent-free housing, paid the equivalent of a non-tenured Polish high school or college teacher (about $160 a month), and expected to teach a minimum course load of 18 hours a week. All volunteers are required to work one academic year. I was assigned to a small town high school in South-Central Poland to be the second of two English teachers.

The first few days were quite an experience as I got used to being gawked at like a celebrity, and as I tried to get a feel for teaching English conversation classes to 18 different groups of students from beginner to advanced levels. Thankfully, WorldTeach had prepared us with all sorts of lesson plans and teaching techniques in the communicative approach. The whole year turned into an experiment in how to improve my students' speaking abilities and give them greater confidence in English. At the same time I transformed myself from a shy and awkward public speaker into a confident and lively classroom manager. Although there were some trying moments to be sure (combating student apathy and trying to find ways to stop or at least avoid rampant cheating), I triumphed and grew professionally and personally in more ways than I had ever thought possible and far more than I had grown during 4 years of college and 9 years working for the government. My professional highlight of the year was when I was voted "best teacher" in the school by my students.

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The day-to-day existence in my town was also an experience of profound growth. An American can never really understand his or her own culture and the nature of the world economy unless he or she has gone abroad to examine it from the perspective of a foreigner, whose living standards are much different. Trying to live on a typical Eastern European salary of $160 a month ($7 per work day) is quite a humbling experience for someone used to making $50,000 a year. One quickly learns to live with less and be overjoyed with occasional modest luxuries such as frozen green peas, fresh oranges and spinach. Moreover, the difficulties of coping on such a diminished income can't help but make you develop a great admiration for the people of this region who survive in style and with dignity on salaries and pensions that wouldn't even approach a fraction of the minimum wage in the US.

One's standards of comfort and tolerance of hardship also change radically. I had grown accustomed to the perks of flying business class on Delta and Lufthansa, or speeding along American highways and German autobahns in comfortable and speedy air-conditioned sedans and sports cars. Within a few months one becomes thrilled by the simple pleasures in provincial Poland of riding a slow 20 year old bus reeking of diesel fumes and crowded with people, many of whom are themselves reeking of vodka. It is also a unique experience to ride in a Polish Fiat or "Maluch," the ubiquitous and inexpensive family car that is the most popular model in Poland. The Maluch is about the size of an American golf cart and powered by a 650cc engine (by comparison the smallest American car on the market has a 1200cc engine).

On the interpersonal level the experience of working in Poland was incredibly awakening. A casual tourist to Eastern Europe will see new restaurants, full and fashionable shops, late-model cars, flashy advertising and well dressed people. One would think that the nations of Eastern Europe have made a clear and logical progression to free-market capitalism and that the horizons ahead are filled with opportunity. If you scratch the service you find a very different reality. It is only over tea during long evening conversations with colleagues that you learn just how difficult these years of transition have been for ordinary people. A majority of the population even in Poland still claims that life was better and easier under socialism. There were not many luxuries, but work, housing, education, health care, pensions, basic food goods, and subsidized vacations were guaranteed to everyone. This social safety net no longer exists. Even people who would appear to be thriving financially claim that life was better before market reform.

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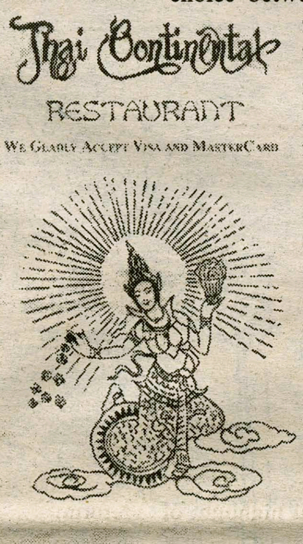
Appa-Thai-zing

BY BECCA SAVAGE '99 AND FIONA THOMAS '99
FEATURES WRITERS

This week we decided to expand our horizons and hit up a restaurant we had never heard of or seen before. It is called the **Thai Continental**. Conveniently located approximately ten minutes from Utica, it is small, yet recognizable from the white Christmas lights in the window; and the sign that reads "Thai Restaurant," which is a little more than inconspicuous. Although the menu claims to have American, French, and Italian dishes as well as Thai food, this is not the case at all. If you are looking for something other than Thai food-this is not the place for you.

As you walk in, don't be startled by the buzzing doormat. The waitress promptly seats you. There are three cozy dining rooms, each colorfully adorned with authentic Thai statues and paintings. Although the flowers are fake, the music isn't. The cultural blend provides a serene and relaxing environment. The rooms are well lit, due in part to their reflection of the cool metallic ceilings. The largest of the three dining rooms can be reserved for parties over five, and is outfitted with a bar. The smallest one, situated by the window, has an intimate atmosphere which makes it a perfect place to bring a date. Throughout the restaurant are comfortable, wooden chairs.



We didn't get an accurate impression of the service since our waitress was back to work after three months of vacation and therefore had forgotten the logistics of the menu. She did, however, have a friendly attitude, and a willingness to find the answers to our questions. She had recently been to Thailand and was more than happy to share her experiences concerning the country and the food. We have faith that in a few weeks she'll be back on track.

The menu is quite extensive, to the point that the items are numbered up to 51. But don't be fooled, the selections aren't very diverse. It seems as if they chose five or six ingredients and mixed and matched them to get different combinations. On the other hand, they have something to suit everyone's tastes. The main menu consists primarily of chicken, beef and pork dishes, but they have a whole separate vegetarian spread to accommodate the herbivores among us. Tofu lovers are welcome.

We liked the appetizers best, each can be ordered in either small or large portions, but we recommend you go with the small if you plan on eating a main course. The servings are quite sizable. Fiona ordered the Thai Continental Spring Roll made from bean thread, cabbage, chicken, egg and bamboo shoot, served with sweet and sour sauce, which we all enjoyed. Shannon's appetizer was also good; Sa-tay, the choice of either chicken or beef marinated in Thai herbs, charbroiled and served with sliced cucumber in sweet and sour sauce and ground peanuts. Becca, on the other hand, ordered something you should stay away from, the vegetarian dumplings. Four balls resembling doughy blobs, consisting of mushy sweet rice flour and chives is enough to give anyone second thoughts.

A major plus on the menu is the choice between chicken, beef and pork for most all entrées. Although these don't come with rice and salad, the portions are generous and healthy enough to keep you satisfied. Pad Bai Kra Prao is a pretty safe choice: chicken, beef or pork with carrots, mushrooms, baby corn, onion, chili, sweet pepper and basil.

Fiona ordered the Khoa Pad Gai, otherwise known as number sixty-four, or as traditional fried rice with chicken. This dish can also be ordered with beef or pork. Hard to believe! She had no complaints. Shannon ordered the Ba Mee Rard Na Tao Hoo (that's not a joke), egg noodle topped with sautéed bamboo shoots, scallion mushrooms and tofu, off the vegetarian menu. She gives mixed reviews with the main complaint being a lack of flavor. Add some seasoning and you're set.

Desserts are definitely a downer. Not only are they hard to understand, but they are, how should we say, not exactly fresh. The three of us split Chilled Longan which in Thailand is a fresh fruit. It comes in a beautiful imported can like DelMonte, not off a tree. The Longan is presented in a bowl with the syrup that it is packaged in, as well as some ice cubes.

If you've never experienced Thai food we suggest you try Thai Continental for exposure to a different culture and cuisine. They conveniently accept Master Card, Visa and Discover, but cash or a local check are just as good. If you feel safer making reservations call 315-738-7033. Cheers!

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Entrees:	Khoa Pad Gai, Ba Mee Rard Na Tao Hoo	est: $5.95-6.75
Desserts:	Chilled Longan	est: $2.50
Ambiance:	Colorful	
Service:	Friendly	
Overall:	✔✔	

Key: ✔✔✔✔✔: Well done, ✔✔✔✔: Medium well, ✔✔✔: Medium rare, ✔✔: Rare, ✔: Raw

PHOTO BY SHANNON OSBORNE '99

The neon sign is not the only thing glowing in the window of the Thai Continental Restaurant. The Spectator's restaurant critics, Becca Savage '99 and Fiona Thomas '99, inspect every drapery and flower in their quest to bring Hamilton the scoop on area eateries.

ASK RILEY

Riley
c/o The Spectator

Dear Riley,

Last weekend, I was eating out and was told that once you leave your table, the wait staff will assume that you have left your tip and clear the table. Is this true?

-Waited Upon in Vain

Dear Waited Upon,

Absolutely.

In addition, if you go to the cash register to get change, and your waiter or waitress has cleared the table before you come back, this is an efficient person who deserves to be rewarded handsomely. To make up for not leaving a tip, tell them that no earthly goods could compensate them for bringing you the heavenly nectar of the gods that was your meal. If they punch you for saying this, you will be so mad you won't feel bad about depriving them of a tip. If they are flattered by the compliment, then they are extremely gullible and would just have wasted the money anyhow. Either way, you shed your feelings of remorse.

Dear Riley,

I think that my use of marijuana has adversely affected my memory. Is there some sort of test I can do to find out if this is true?

-Out of the Circle

Dear Out of It,

There is a test you can take to make this determination, known as "Is your brain full of smarts or smoke?". It is available through the mail from the FBI for $12.99, plus your name, address, and phone line location.

For all you do-it-yourselfers, there is an easy device you can build to test your memory powers. All you need to do is go to a hardware store with a trusted friend and buy five feet of PVC piping, a light bulb, and 100 yards of copper wire. After smoking marijuana, go see your friend. If you remember why you bought that stuff at the hardware store when he asks you, you're all set. You can now return all the materials if you haven't lost the receipt.

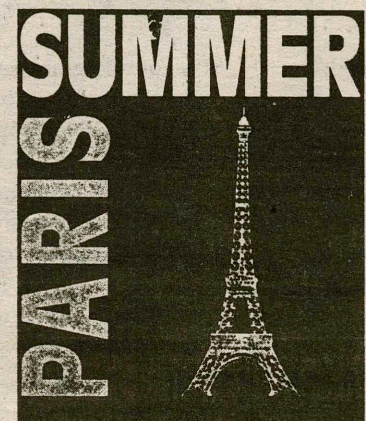
Dear Riley,

I have worked out a method by which I can create a utopian new world order. All that I require to accomplish this is a black leather sofa set from the repo depot in Utica. However, I have no money, and don't want to wreck my credit rating in the new order by taking a payment plan. For the sake of all humanity, figure out a way for me to get that furniture.

-The Man With the Master Plan

Dear Man,

If I come up with a plan that actually allows you to create a utopian society, the least you'll have to do is give me the furniture so that I can enjoy utopia in style and comfort. But first of all, what kind of utopian society are you imagining if credit ratings are still going to be important? Is it one in which everyone has become so envious of your living room furnishings that they work around the clock, finding ways to abstain from sleeping completely, so that they can obtain the confidence of their credit card company? Or are you planning on installing a sense of community in everyone who sits on your furniture as they sit around the teak coffee table and the lava lamp, discussing the simple things that are fundamental to living a utopian life? I guess it really doesn't matter, because all my powers of deduction have determined that there is no chance of you ever owning that furniture, even if a utopian society develops on its own.



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EDITORIAL

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Costly and contrived leadership

It was RA appreciation day recently at Hamilton.

According to the Hamilton Student Handbook, "The primary function of the resident advisor (RA) is to promote and maintain a positive residence hall community which is conducive to academic achievement, personal growth, and respectful of the rights of all residents. By serving in the roles of peer counselor, adviser, role model, programmer, administrator and limit setter, the RA facilitates the personal, social and academic development of the residents."

If one looks beyond the Orwellian doublespeak of the above passage, the role of the resident advisor is quite clear. Anyone who has lived in a dormitory at Hamilton College knows that the resident advisors very rarely act as "peer counselor, advisor, role model, [or] programmer" beyond the limited College-required social programming twice a year. The role of the resident advisor is to exist. Their actual job entails little, and they produce nothing. It is a leadership position created for no other reason than to create leadership positions for students to assume. This is done at great expense to the school.

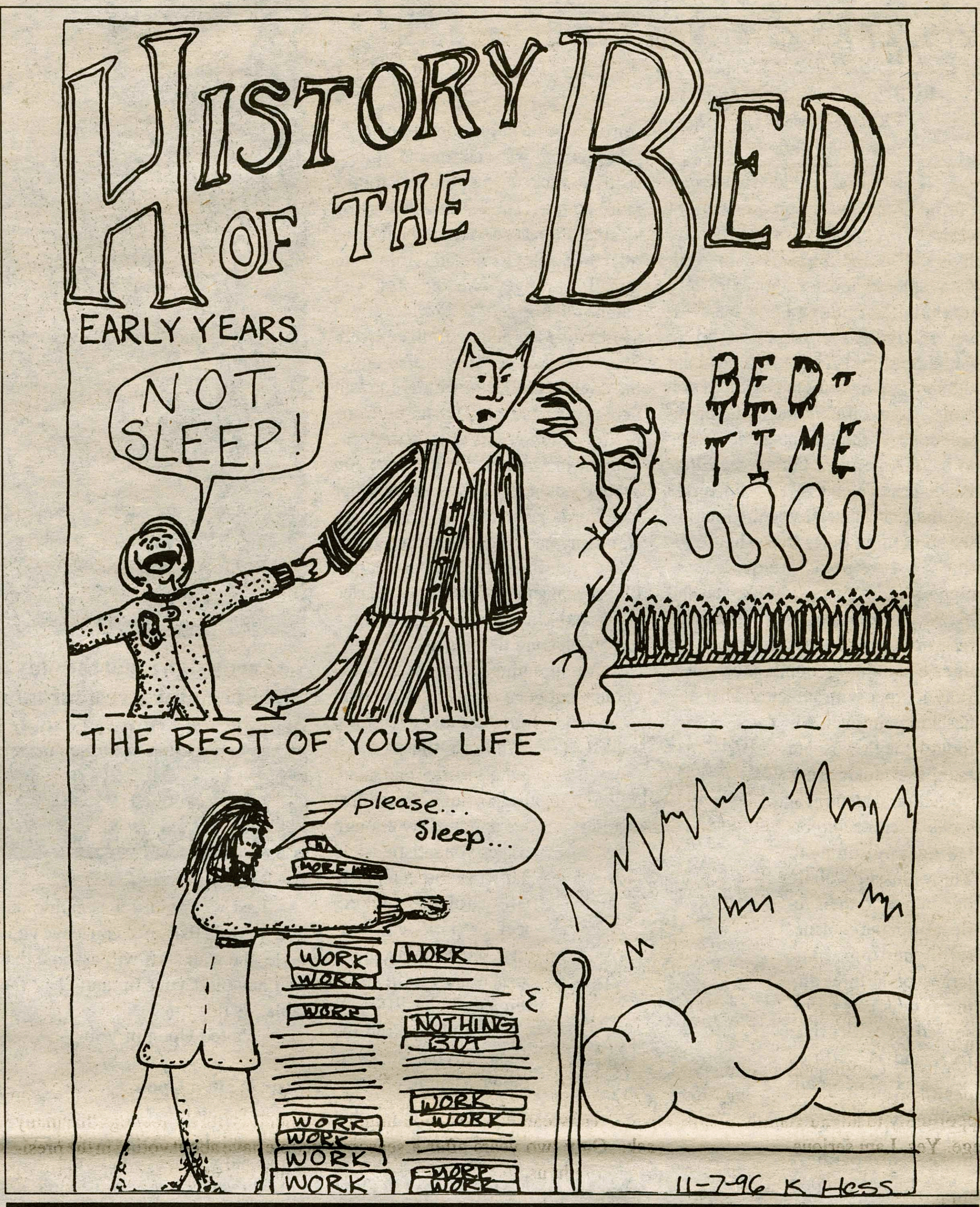
Currently, there are 50 RA's at Hamilton College. Every one of these 50 receive a free room, normally costing over $2000 per semester for the average student. The RA program, it seems, costs far more than it is worth. While there is doubtless need for some RA's, especially in primarily first-year dormitories, their presence in all dorms, even those with mostly seniors (last years), is senseless. The current number of RA's is far too costly and entirely unnecessary when one takes into account that they play a far more limited role than the Student Handbook would cause one to believe.

Quite often the RA contradicts their own mission. If an RA is to encourage personal growth in their advisees, then their mere presence is an inhibiting factor to achieving this goal. If an advisee is encouraged to speak with their RA in order to work out a conflict in their residence hall, then the advisee does not learn realistic conflict resolution. A better way to have the resident deal with the problem by themselves. Personal experiences encourage personal growth, not dependence on an RA.

Admittedly, the RA position is not an easy one. The meetings they must attend, and the time they put in are justification alone for the pay that they get. The problem is that the work they do is completely unnecessary. Their work is manufactured. Moving a pile of bricks from point A to point B and then back to point A is hard, but it is useless.

Many of the Residential Life Department's endeavors are questionable. One might remember the definition of a residence hall in last year's housing guide. Paraphrasing, a residence hall is a place to discover your sexuality. Ludicrous.

The mission of residential life should not be to allow students to exercise leadership positions for the sake of resume building. The positions offered should be legitimate. A learning experience is greatly compromised if the job being done is contrived.



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LETTERS TO•THE•EDITOR

Corbin letter saddens Hamilton parent

To the Editor,

I was greatly saddened when I read Stacey Corbin's letter in the November 1 issue of *The Spectator*. I was saddened, but not shocked, since I'm not naive enough to believe that Hamilton College, or any other institution, is immune to the sort of behavior described by Ms. Corbin.

As the parent of a Hamilton student, I can only hope that Stacey's experience will initiate a college-wide discussion of the various issues raised by her letter: the act of sexual harassment, the failure of others to come to her aid, and the regrettable encouragement by others to "drop the issue." Because one's education need not, and should not, be confined to the classroom-- it may profitably be extended to the barroom, or Bundy, as well.

I realize that there are always at least two sides to every story, and I've only heard Ms. Corbin's. I applaud her courage in having made it public. I would be most interested in hearing from the young man who allegedly assualted her, both verbally and physically.

Les Kozerowitz P '98

Trust Treat directors extend thanks

To the Editor,

We would like to thank the campus for participating in this year's Trust Treat. The event went off without a hitch, and everyone that participated had an excellent time.

Over 150 kids from six organizations in the Utica area ventured to campus for this trick-or-treating experience. They were immediately met by over 100 volunteer tourguides, dressed in such costumes as the characters in the Wizard of Oz, Batman, Tupac, and "that college student." The kids then traveled all over the campus to collect their loot. Numerous candy stops had been set up in all of the residence halls, and many of the campus organizations and societies participated in the fun. These included ACS and the Womyn's Center, BLSU and The Rainbow Alliance, Student Assembly, Delta Upsilon (DU), Kappa Delta Omega (KDO), and Delta Kappa Epsilon (DKE). There was even a haunted house in the TDX house sponsored by Gamma Xi, a S'mores party sponsored by Phi Beta Chi (PBX), and numerous chemical experiments performed by the Chemistry Department. Overall the whole night was a success, and everyone left the event with a smile on their face (and lots of sugar in their system).

We would also like to especially thank the core leaders who helped organize Trust Treat, and without whose help the whole night would not have been so successful. These awesome individuals include firstyears Kathy Webber, Kristin Holderle, Linda Retallack, Sara Rizzo, Jim Lempenau, John Farranto, and John Dieterich; sophomore Julie LoSauro; juniors Jaime Tackett, Jeff O'Brien, and Steve Rattendi; and senior Maria Gara. And, of course, we must thank "the man" himself. For without his excellent organization, thought, leadership, and "nerves of steel," we would all be running around in circles and banging our heads against walls. Thank you very much Father John Croghan.

Ever since the death of Eric Trust on Halloween eight years ago, the Hamilton campus, through the Newman Council, has organized this event, and we want to once again thank everyone for their participation in this year's Trust Treat. We also hope to see everyone again next year for yet another Trust Treat!

Chris Plecs '99
Buzz Carobus '98

Increasing problems threaten close-knit Hamilton community

CHRISTIE REED
THE WEEKLY REED

Last year I studied abroad in Paris. As is the case with many situations, by removing myself from the Hamilton community for a time I came to a better understanding of why I decided to attend a school like Hamilton College, and most specifically why I appreciate life on The Hill. Living in a large city, constantly surrounded by people speaking in a different language, I discovered the incredible value of such a small, close-knit community. Every day I walked down the street, confronted by cold, guarded faces and would often find myself thinking, "I miss being able to smile freely at the person approaching me. I miss being able to *trust* the people around me." At times this weariness exhausted me, and I attempted to find peace of mind in images of life at Hamilton College.

Now, I am back on The Hill for one last year. I remember the immense excitement I felt when I first drove up the hill after being away for 15 months. I could not wait to relax around people and to simply enjoy my surroundings with people who spoke my language, not just in the literal sense, but in the sense that these were people I could trust. Or so I believed.

This past weekend I returned from a wedding after traveling on highways and planes. By the end of my journey I looked forward to slipping back into the comforting familiarity of our campus life, and to seeing the familiar faces encountered daily on the path. When I arrived back I casually picked up a copy of *The Spectator* and flipped through it, happily encountering headlines positive in nature; "Volunteer Weekend brings alumni 'ambassadors' back," and "Sigma Phi opens doors to Better Education Today Association." As the pages turned, however, a different tone emerged. Articles concerning students' failure to adhere to the Honor Code and flagrant sexual harassment clouded over my rose-colored view of Hamilton College. In many ways, I, myself, felt violated as I read about the unbelievable behavior to which one girl was subjected. And as she stated in her article, this was not an isolated incident. Suddenly, the trust that I believed to be the backbone of our lives at Hamilton was ripped right out from under my feet.

After putting down *The Spec* in disbelief, saddened and confused by what I read, I went down to the laundry room to collect my wash. Upon entering the room, I carefully read a piece of paper taped to the washing machine which I had overlooked before. "Whomever stole my fleece..." it read. This message, which I had treated with little importance earlier, now seemed to represent so much more.

I just do not get it. I can only guess it was my naivete which led me to believe that the other students on this campus selected Hamilton based on the same premises that I did, a solid education, not just for the purpose of learning the hard facts, but for developing and shaping our personal identities in terms of values, ethics and morals, as well as a comfortable setting conducive to positive and constructive relationships. For $28,000 a year why else would one attend such an institution?

It is my opinion that these two fundamental aspects of college life, the academic and the social, can only function together through a commitment to trust. One of the most unique aspects of Hamilton College and schools like Hamilton is the total freedom one has while living in a comfortable and secure setting made possible by this trust. It requires every single member of the community to pave the path towards this freedom and trust, and yet it requires only one selfish person to destroy it for everyone.

When I look at all of the wonderful people around me and think of the many amazing experiences this College has to offer each and every one of us, it truly saddens me to think that there are those creeping among us who wish to take it away. I realize that Hamilton is not a perfect place. Many people complain that Hamilton is too small, claustrophobic and all in all nothing like the real world. Well, this is exactly why it is special. The world around us is an amazing place, but it is rough enough out there. Why would anyone want to put in jeopardy this little haven we are privileged enough to call home for a few short years?

I still believe in Hamilton as a place where one can develop wonderful relationships and can truly enrich the self. I believe that the majority of students hold the ideas of honor, trust, and freedom as sacred and as integral to life on The Hill and beyond. I ask those of you who do not believe in these notions to take a second look at why you are at Hamilton College.

A few timely political lessons from the boys of summer

OWEN GRANT
INHALE TO THE CHIEF

Were it not for the most tragic historical event of the last half of the 20th Century unraveling before my eyes, I would say that I am a very fortunate person. For that matter, every Blue Continental should consider themselves lucky to have an opportunity to attend Hamilton College. Yes, I am serious.

Unfortunately, I am deeply discouraged by the events that have transpired since October, the day that the New York Yankees won their 23rd World Series at Yankee Stadium, Bronx, New York.

More than an American, I am a baseball fan. I am a Yankee fan. I understand that not everyone will enjoy baseball as much as I do, but I firmly believe that if you say that you don't appreciate or understand baseball it, you have not sat back and taken in a nine inning game.

Each game is a season within itself; with substitutions, moments of heroism, long episodes of infrequent activity, and a climax. In the World Series the Bronx Bombers, facing humiliation after dropping the first two games at home, rallied to secure their 23rd World Series Crown. While the Yankees victory was an exceptional triumph, the parade is over.

There will most likely not be a 1997 Major League Baseball Season. "How can this be?" you might ask. Only two years after a season that brought us no World Series, are we in jeopardy of reliving this nightmare.

The only explanation is that the Players Association's Union Leader, Donald Fehr, is the most powerful man in baseball. This is why Roberto Alomar was not suspended for the playoffs. Donald Fehr would have appealed, and won, so what would have been the point?

The point is that sometimes it is necessary to stand up for what is right as opposed to hopelessly suffering a war of attrition. Baseball's labor and management are more concerned about network contracts, marketing schemes, and the salary cap issues than they are of the game itself.

The fans' voice in the game is obviously disregarded, and real baseball fans will inevitably be replaced by Fox television cronies. I wish I had some say in the direction of the state of Baseball, but I don't.

In many ways that sentiment coincides with the feelings that many people have about voting in the presidential election. My vote doesn't matter. However, you do have a vote and in most cases there is at least one important category on your ballot, though the President of the United States is not one of them.

If you did not vote, you didn't vote to terminate all affirmative action programs in California, or to establish the Environmental Bond in New York, or to designate each individual county of Alabama as its own Bingo regulator. You didn't vote for senator of Kentucky, an election that was almost too close to declare a winner.

The day is not far away when voter turnout reaches an all time low and Congressional leaders put forth initiatives on the ballot that are bad for the people and buy enough votes to get them through.

As it is, the owners are split on the players' proposal. Headed by Jerry Reinsdorf, the Chicago White Sox owner (he also owns the Bulls) the dissenting owners have remained firm. Twenty one of twenty eight owners must agree, and this is not going to happen. The owners will change the players' proposal, give it back to them, and the players will whine and there will be no season. I have seen it happen before.

I would trade in my right to vote for President and Congress for the right to vote on baseball. If Donny Fehr wins on the Player's union ticket, then his party's collective bargaining agreement would serve as the working agreement for the next four years. If Randy Levine (the owners' representative) wins, the owners' proposal rules the land. A salary cap is implemented and the agreement lasts until 2000. This way, there will not be a strike based on the length of the eventual contract, which is the reason for the impasse right now. But do let the fans decide. And have initiatives and referendums, such as more day games, and inter-league play.

Sports are often thought of as means of entertainment to viewers. The quality and style of sporting activity is something that fans and supporters rarely get to select. Revenues are distributed in ways that suit the owners, even in a community or a school. This is the last weekend for several sports teams. It is also the last weekend of the play *Moe's Lucky Seven*. Do not let the fresh oil and the loose gravel solution inhibit you from attending these events. Remember, Billy Joel once said, "Your best bet is a true, baby blue Continental."

Our last images of baseball are of Wade Boggs circling Yankee Stadium on horseback. After Boggs dismounted, he lead the Yankees on a victory lap, but we didn't see that on television because Fox ran a *Ned and Stacy* premiere preview instead.

LETTER AND OP-ED POLICY

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Students urged to fight the growing institutionalization of Hamilton

I am the first in my immediate family to attend college for more than four months.

My uncle gave it a try but his stay at Kent State drew to a close once the National Guard arrived. It is from him alone that I created my vision of "college life." Not to be too melodramatic, but I expected a place of enormous mind expansion, a shot at wisdom so to speak, a place where you fought for something that all would fight for had they the gall and the integrity. And with these youthful notions, I traveled to Central New York.

I will never deny the sentiments that I hold for this school, but it is only when something really interests you that you look so closely, you can see all its flaws. And this aforementioned mentality is the direct vice I find here. You see, we have fallen prey to the sickness of the modern day educational system: institutionalization.

Our campus is one of many slightly crunchy, mostly preppy, small liberal arts colleges. We are not run in any individual style or manner anymore. We simply follow suit. Unfortunately, we as students have gone along with the plan. Just as our educational system has allowed itself to become an institution, we have sat back and let it institutionalize us.

And what does this mean?

We see only what is in front of us. Perhaps our studies alone should be able to give us worldly knowledge but, alas, for me at least it has not. Our world, our culture, our politics are all set within the strict limits of Hamilton College. We fight for the betterment of our little pond, our little utopia. And we bitch in search of perfection, and we moan about details, and we may be right, hell, we may be quite unarguably right.

BUT there is more, there's got to be more. = I came here in search of mind expansion, and I will say that the faculty and students are tryingly amazing in this, but I took that information inward and spit out institution. I believed in ideals, and still do, but thought they ended at the bottom of the hill. Many of you may try to deny this in yourselves, but the current affairs survey in a previous *Spec* and much of the apathy on this campus will show you that it is not a ridiculous observation. We wear microscopic glasses and in turn lose sight of the big picture....

KRISTEN MCGUINESS
GUEST COLUMNIST

The big picture, where has it gone? The higher values, standards, and power that our predecessors held at our age have long since been pacified, and we sit, listen to their words and then bitch that the grass is too short. I don't believe in proposing a problem without proposing a solution, however I will be brief.

Just because there have been some mistakes in American education does not mean that we should act like the powers that be and "simply follow suit." Example? Take your complaints to a higher level, whether that be in solving or thinking about them, don't keep them within the confines of this campus. Get out of the pond. Find something to fight for if you believe in fighting and push that beyond what your elders would do with it. Do not be confined by something that can free you-- it is by doing this that you give up everything that college has the capability of empowering you with.

Whether it be due to ignorance or courage, there is a silent will on this campus to act, to be idealistic, to break from the ambiguity of the twentieth century. When you stand up for something, know why, question it and its significanace. What role does it play in all of this, what role does it play outside of our little pond, what principles in question will we continue to fight for once all this doesn't matter so much anymore? Fight what they have given us, take off the tunnel vision, go beyond the Dark Side-Bundy trek or the asymmetry of the landscaping, and the ideals that you clamor for will be yours.

THE LAUGHS OF SOCRATES

Communication and culture

The Laughs of Socrates begins its series on language and communication. Some readers may have wondered why this topic came up, after a concern on a medium called newspaper. Here is an essay from Thomas Lavenir (97). His article on language, culture, and communication may give us a clue to "himo-toku" the issue. —Sorry for using my native tongue. "Himo-toku" means solving problems as if you were untying tied string. I have a hard time translating this word into English, because the word connects two different concepts in my mind.

Communication is such a broad term that it is often misused and/or used inappropriately as people generally do not know its real and entire meaning, as well as its underlying concepts. One would generally think of communication as an action involving senders and receivers who take on the role of speaking and/or listening under different situations and circumstances. Nonetheless, communication is more complex than that, and is best defined in terms of the Transactional Communication Model. It involves a sender and a receiver in which both send and receive messages through different channels, as the content of the message and the noise is being encoded and decoded. Communication is a simultaneous action which cannot be undone and, for that matter, is irreversible and unrepeatable. Communication does not necessarily imply speaking or writing, as silence and gesturing are forms of communication as well, which exemplify the fact that one cannot not communicate, and that it can be intentional as well as unintentional.

In order to communicate with someone, one is to use one's langue [language]. However, no matter how well one speaks a language, whether it is his or her native language, words or voice reflect more than words may suggest to the listener, since, as Sapir suggested, language creates reality and among which is culture. Through the use of language, we can determine who we are and create our own rules. No two languages are similar to the point of being able, therefore, to refer to the same reality. The different societies, with different languages create different worlds "with different labels." The reality of the life of a certain community is to human beings as it is the only way to know their purpose in life, and who they really are. Most of the time, people assume that if they speak the same language, no misunderstanding could arise unless a speaker may have not explained his or her thought very explicitly. However, if one looks closely at Bakhtin's notion of voice, in which voice reflects the speaker's background and more generally his or her history, one then realizes that a full understanding is rare, and that: Without language, thought is a vague, uncharted nebula. There are no preexisting ideas, and nothing is distinct before the appearance of language (*Course in General Linguisitics*, Ferdinand de Saussure, p112).

By therefore considering language as being related and shaped by reality, knowing more than one language therefore complicates the life of such an individual, as he or she must then deal with more than one reality. Being a fluent speaker means knowing and applying matters that are taken for granted by native speakers. The idea of metacommunication, how one interprets how one communicates about himself or herself, then becomes very important.

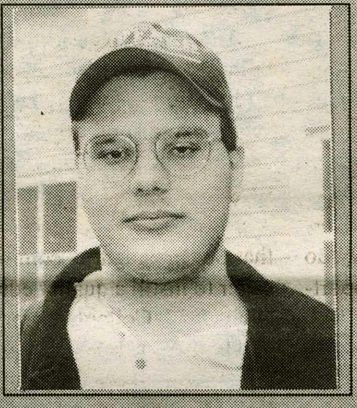
Such issues of communication and culture become very important, for instance, for international students as they "are faced with adjusting to a culture within a culture: American Academe (*Interenational Students and American University Culture*, p4)."

Thomas Lavenir '97

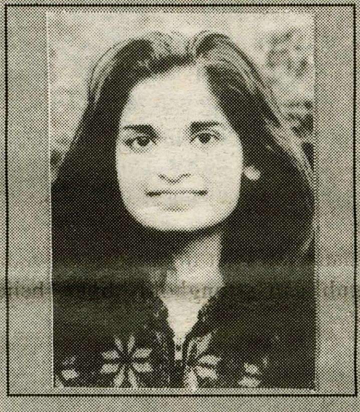
VOICE BOX

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE STUDENT-FACULTY RELATIONSHIP?

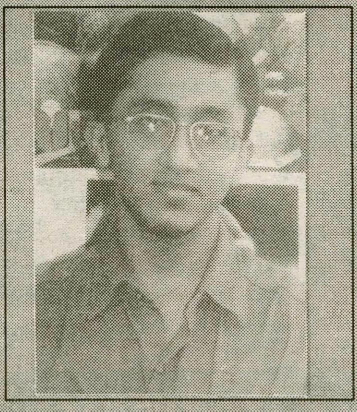
Tony Katsetos '99
"It is generally good."



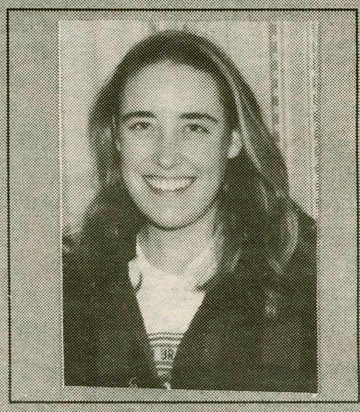
Deepa Bhargawa '00
"It is better than a lot of schools, but I still think it could be better."



Najeeb Sheikh '00
"They are just like our friends, but we respect them a lot."



Ali Towson '00
"If profs make an effort, it's easy to start a good relatioship."



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Hamilton's lack of internship-for-credit program disturbing

My personal experiences on The Hill have always been mixed ones. For the most part, there has been a stark contrast between academic and student life, between negative and positive. However, as I sit forlornly with my internship handbook in my lap I am astounded. I had gone through the tome and highlighted the particular positions that were appealing. Now I've learned that I can not even apply for a good portion of these spots.

Many of the top student internships in the United States offer college credit for the period during which you participate in their program. It sounds like a great deal: work for one of the best companies in your chosen field and receive credit for the semester or summer.

Unfortunately, Hamilton does not accept credits for internships and even more unfortunately, many of these programs will not even allow students in this situation to apply for the prized positions. This clause places us at an immediate disadvantage. Furthermore, many semester-away programs (such as one of the Washington D.C. programs) involve an internship. Students returning from these semesters find themselves one credit behind the graduation pace.

Without the option of working for many leaders in our chosen or possible fields of study, we are being robbed of a valuable experience. We cannot make contacts, learn skills, or decide if we truly want to pursue potential career choices. Furthermore, it penalizes Hamilton students and handicaps them in the resume race by not allowing the opportunity to even apply for these positions. The absurdity of this policy is parallel to a scenario in which Hamilton announces that, due to the Res-Life decision, Phi Beta Kappa would be banned from our campus. The latter statement is a preposterous example, but the former is a preposterous reality.

Ironically, during an information session over Family Weekend a representative of the Career Center stated that he felt strong summer internships are an immense asset in the

BEN MINTZ
GREY MATTERS

job market. One representative added that the Career Center has been an advocate of changing this asinine policy, but has experienced resistance from other parts of the community for years.

Informal conversations with various faculty members have revealed that the primary concern is that students will enroll in internships that do not live up to our institution's high standards. In addition, they fear that some students will enroll in programs that are practically fictitious. A worst case scenario of this concern is something to the effect of a student who "works" for his mother, a doctor, and receives college credits for watching cable all day at home.

Hamilton is currently in the process of reviewing its curriculum. Changing this restrictive policy would be a step towards bettering our student body for life. The concern about students holding factitious or "slackardly" internships could easily be alleviated by forming a review committee and a procedure for naming internship credit approval.

There has already been a process established for students studying abroad and it functions quite well. The same procedure that stops students from enrolling at slackardly colleges abroad could easily be adapted to internships.

When I was in high school in the process of college shopping, I visited several small colleges and took the guided tours they provided with my family. At the end of these tours, and interviews as well, there would invariably be a question and answer session. My guidance counselor had told me that it was good to participate in these sessions so I would generally ask about the availability of internships and study abroad programs.

When I went to Hamilton, I had other questions, so I skipped these routine ones. I have always looked back on that decision with regret and laughed at my own naiveté; it seemed that all schools offer these options. Sadly, I now laugh at myself laughing at myself.

The political confessions of a liberal Green Mountain boy

I buy it. I think Bill Clinton is for real. While many people lament Slick Willy's huge victory, I feel relieved and peaceful. Despite a despicable voter turnout, the citizens who did raise their voices pushed our country in the right direction, moving us towards an exciting new America.

Ordinarily, I would rather stir lye in my tea than write about politics, but the magnitude of the election season got the best of me. Part is personal satisfaction in seeing my vote in the White House, part is the smug satisfaction I get from watching Republican strongholds like ghastly New Hampshire go to the President and a Democratic female governor. Overall though, I feel good about participating in the American electoral process. The first presidential vote I cast went for a winner! Hooray! Hopefully, it will become a trend.

Before further discussion of the President's resounding victory, I turn my focus to the glories of Vermont. For all you folks who write us off as insignificant, Vermonters showed their American prowess once again, contentedly sending Bernie Sanders back to Washington. Yeah, that funny guy who spoke at Hamilton remains in our House of Representatives. Not only is he one of six non-partisan House members, he is also the only socialist in the U.S. Congress. Although he typically votes Democratic, Sanders is an excellent example of Vermont's willingness to break trends, stereotypes, and molds. We are a progressive people, eager to show the country of our need for change and diversity. Plus, we reelected Governor Howard Dean with over 70 percent of the vote. Cheers to my Democratic home state.

On the national scene, I was dismayed by Hamilton students throughout the election season. While I certainly do not crusade for Clinton, I do believe that the reasons for supporting Norm MacDonald, oops, Bob Dole, were pathetic, at best. People had the audacity to launch such ludicrous claims as, "He's been around for so long...he deserves to be President." Ah, now that sounds like a merit-based election to me! Dole has been a solid mainstay in our country's government; clearly, a balcony named for you in Washington, D.C. is a mark of an important and meaningful impact on our nation's political life. A loyal patriot, however, is not criteria for becoming the most powerful human on earth.

Some folks, thankfully, chose to look at where Dole stood before telling me of their support for the Republican dinosaur. Time and again, Hamilton students driving Saabs licked their lips at the prospect of a 15 percent across the board tax cut. I was depressed by our generation's senseless focus on cash. We are rookies to life and the voting scene, yet we put finances before social issues. I voted for Bill Clinton because

MARK LILIENTHAL
GLASS HOUSES

he convinced me that people are our nation's finest resource. I believe that our president is committed and eager to instill a quality education in our youth. College students voting against his educational philosophy is incomprehensible to me. Hamilton, Harvard, and Hobart students are all experiencing the wonders of higher education. Our minds expand exponentially each year, learning to wrestle with ideas and issues of increasing complexity. If we were working at the age of 18, would we make the same intellectual strides? With the addictive temptations of television and Sports Illustrated, I doubt it.

Frankly, I think that voting for Bill Clinton was a vote for the future of this country. A vote for Dole, on the other hand, was a vote for our present. It is shallow and rude to vote for money when Clinton is telling us he is committed to obliterating illiteracy, developing youngsters' knowledge of the Internet, and encouraging a college education. After all, does not every statistician tell us that the better educated worker makes more money and has a higher standard of living? Turning our backs on the prospect of a more articulate, more aware, and more conscious America would have been an alarming and disturbing step in the wrong direction. Once again, Americans proved themselves smarter than we give ourselves credit for. We made the right choice in electing Bill Clinton to steer us towards a *happier, richer,* and, ultimately, smarter United States of America. Gore in two grand!

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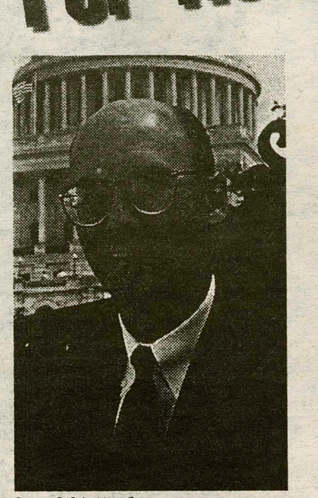

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-Dean Bradfield

we get it, we just didn't know if we should laugh.

"Is this the room for people who don't know what's going on?"

-Dan McAllister

PERSONALS

Dear Pedro Magruder,

If there is one thing that I need right now, it would be a trip to Florida and a visit from da poopa. Please papooper, come back.

your friend, Chris Gorneau

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sincerely, Moose

To my parents,

thank you.

DHT.

J.J. McDouchey,

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Legends of '93

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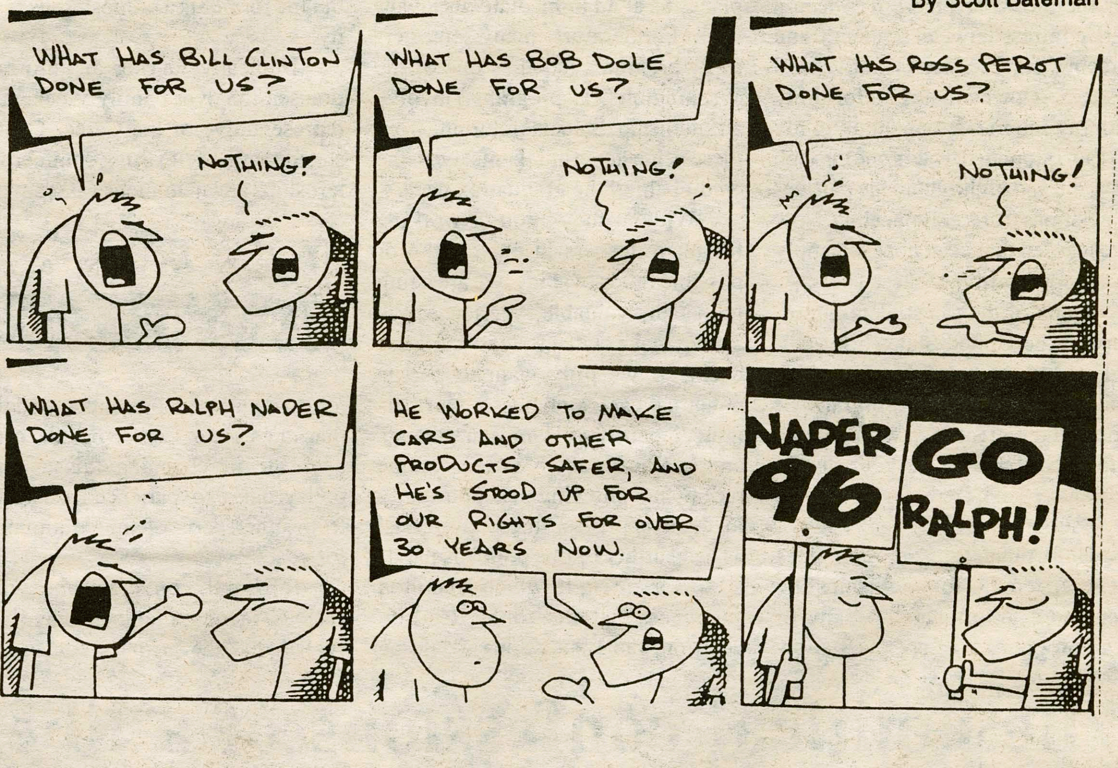

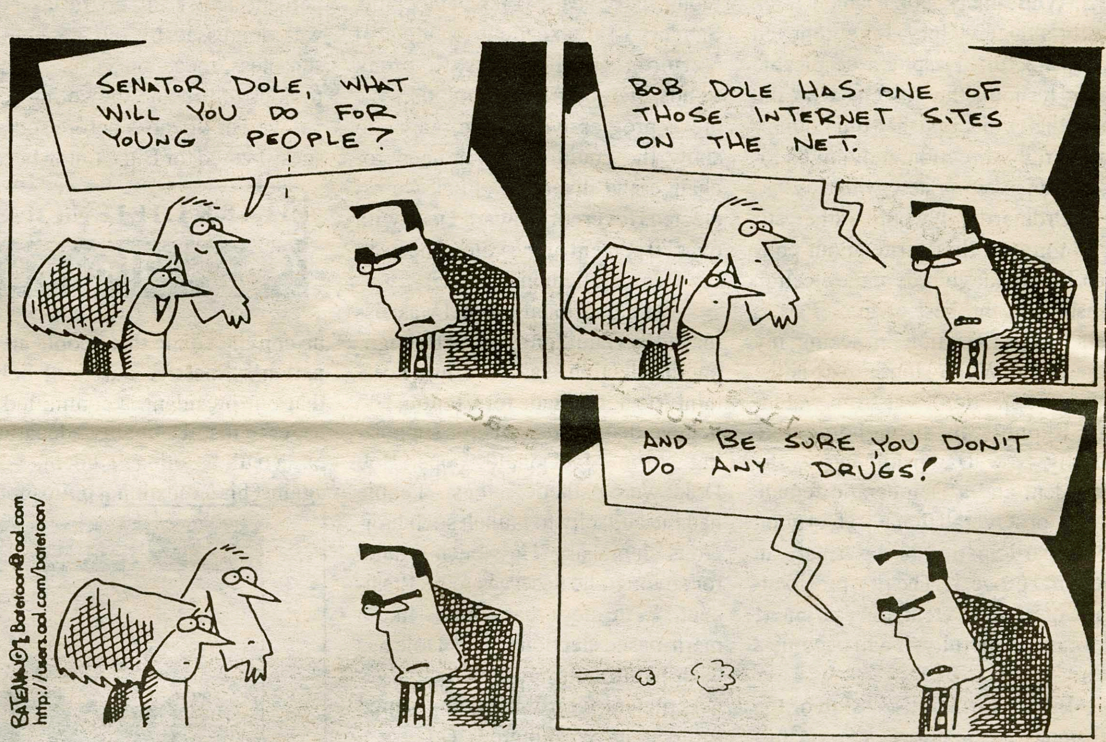

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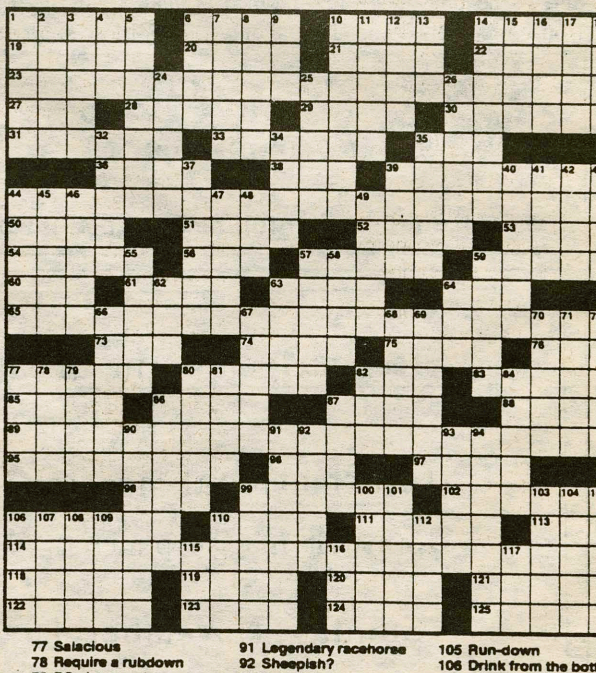

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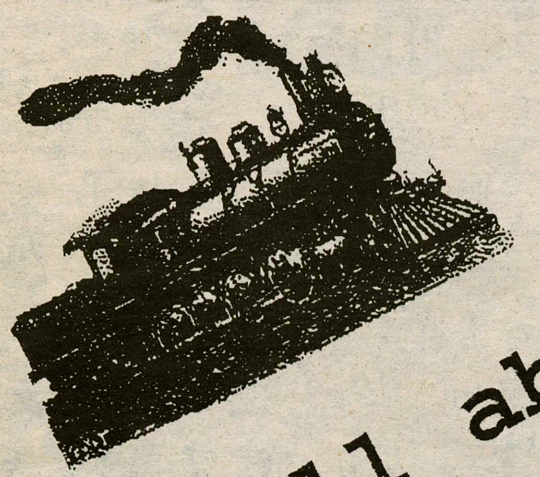

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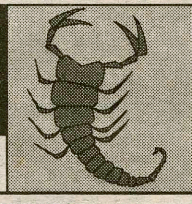

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SAGITTARIUS
(NOVEMBER 23-DECEMBER 22)

A camera is one of the Earth's finest commodities. Owning your own will allow you a kind of happiness previously unknown to you.

CAPRICORN
(DECEMBER 23-JANUARY 22)

Expand your horizons. Get involved with some community activity that gives you a new out look on life. HAVOC is a great place to start.

AQUARIUS
(JANUARY 23-FEBRUARY 18)

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PISCES
(FEBRUARY 19-MARCH 20)

Frustration is all around you. Talking openly about these feelings will clear your head and you'll feel much more at ease.

ARIES
(MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

Prioritizing is the key word to your future. Try sitting down to your work before partying on weeknights. By starting to do this early in life, you are guaranteed future success.

TAURUS
(APRIL 20-MAY 20)

There are several big changes in store for you next semester. Stay focused on your work and extracurricular activities now and they'll be here before you know it.

GEMINI
(MAY 21-JUNE 20)

Questioning your personal life is good for you. It will help you see if you are really happy. There's nothing wrong with changing a few details.

CANCER
(JUNE 21-JULY 22)

Never underestimate the power of the pen. Creative writing could be your hidden talent. Try it out now by writing some poetry or short stories.

LEO
(JULY 23-AUGUST 22)

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VIRGO
(AUGUST 23-SEPTEMBER 22)

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ROMEO AND JULIET

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BY KATHY HESS '99
EDITORIAL CARTOONIST

The two reasons that this movie is wonderful are that A) Shakespeare is awesome and B) weird films that play on their own oddity are cool. By now, most know that this new *Romeo and Juliet* is the punk version. Need a suggestion for a tattoo, funky fashion, or hair color? Watch this movie.

The story that Shakespeare wrote is romantic and vain; youthful impulse and hate are both to blame for the deaths of the lovers. That story is enhanced by director Baz Luhrmann's campy romanticism and the new time period it is portrayed in.

Everyone knows the plot. Romeo and Juliet fall in lust at a party, not knowing that their families despise each other. They become even more intrigued by the fact that they can't be together, and get married secretly after a kiss or two and a balcony scene. Romeo kills Juliet's cousin Tybalt after Tybalt kills Romeo's best friend. Romeo is banished. Juliet plays dead so that she and Romeo can go off and live together without their insane families. Romeo, thinking Juliet is dead, kills himself. Juliet wakes up and emulates Romeo's demise. The families realize that they have been selfish, and consider reconciliation.

Now add a modern city, instead of Rome's Verona, and street gangs with too much money on their hands, too much attitude in their heads. Gaudy colors and costumes. A mixture of music, from opera to alternative to Desiree. Cross-dressers, drug users and gang members are all there. Sit back from the screen, the camera moves fast from shots of the city, to a gang member's youthful and very angry face.

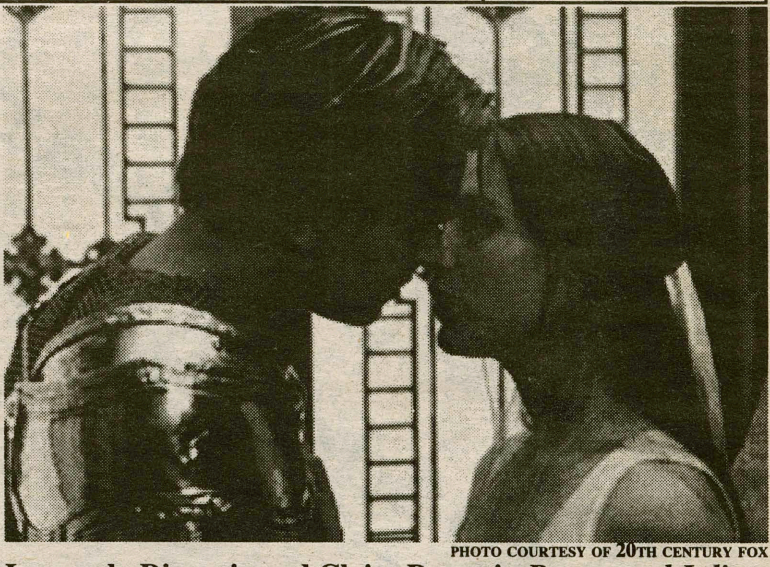

PHOTO COURTESY OF 20TH CENTURY FOX
Leonardo Dicaprio and Claire Danes in *Romeo and Juliet*

Luhrmann's challenge was to portray the best known of Shakespeare's plays AGAIN. The balcony scene was the subject of a Slim Jim commercial; he needed to do something different. He added magic, color, and changed the time period. He also put the balcony scene in a pool. This has been done before, most notably in *West Side Story* (AWESOME musical). The nineteen-fifties youth became the righteous heroes of the story. It changes the entire flavor of the play.

The lead actors feel responsible for their situation, at the end they cannot commit suicide, a selfish act, because they are selfless people. Not in Luhrmann's version. From the very beginning when Romeo and Juliet look at themselves and each other through a fish tank the message is clear. They like the LOOK and idea of getting together.

Leonardo DiCaprio (*Basketball Diaries* and *Growing Pains*) and Claire Danes (*Little Women, To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday*, and *My So-Called Life*) are beautiful people who can play idealistic, narcissistic, youthful lovers. Pete Postlewaite (*In the Name of the Father, The Usual Suspects*) is amazing as Father Laurence, an herbalist and priest. Miriam Margolyes is great as the Nurse, one of the only humorous roles in the play. Harold Perrineau as Mercutio is one of the more controversial characters. How many other versions of the play have that character portrayed as a cross-dresser? Tybalt is as cool as an evil cucumber.

So chillin' with the Bard works in this movie, not for everyone, but it is definitely cool. At least in this film the youthful actors are well cast. It wasn't so long ago that Keanu Reeves played Hamlet on stage. "To, like, be a dude. Or not, like, to be a dude."

Beethoven, Brahms, highlight Wellin concert

BY JENNY JEFFERSON '00
A&E WRITER

The Hamilton Community is in for a treat this Friday night. At eight o'clock in Wellin Hall, a performance of Beethoven, Brahms, and American Music will be given by Richard Eckert on cello, Steven M. Heyman on piano, and E. Michael Richards on clarinet.

If the collective talent of these three men is any indication of the quality of the music they will bring to the stage Friday evening, then it would be a shame to miss this opportunity to hear them perform.

The program for this faculty concert will include Ludwig van Beethoven's Trio in B-flat Major Op. 11, Johannes Brahms's Trio in A Minor, Op. 114, George Crumb's Sonata for Solo Violoncello, Charles Ives's Piano Sonata No. 2, Concord, Mass., 1840-60, and Drake Mabry's Street Cries for Solo Clarinet. This last piece was created by Mabry specifically for E. Michael Richards, and has received impressive reviews. All of these compositions should provide ample opportunity for the musicians to display their talents.

All three soloists have earned degrees in music from prestigious institutions, and all have extensive performance experience. Cellist Richard Eckert holds the position here at Hamilton as Director of String Chamber Music. In addition to having earned a doctorate from the renowned Eastman School of Music, he has experience from performing in both chamber groups and as a soloist throughout the Northeast.

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Internationally award-winning pianist Steven M. Heyman holds a Bachelor's and a Master's degree from the Juilliard School and has also studied music with Hans Graf at Vienna's Hochschule fur Musik und darstellende Kunst. Heyman has recorded many pieces and has performed all over the world.

Associate Professor of Music E. Michael Richards was educated at the New England Conservatory and Yale School of Music, and went on to receive a Ph.D. in music theory from the University of California, San Diego. He has been featured as a soloist the world all over, has made a number of recordings, and has been given a grant from the Camargo Foundation to enable him to finish his book, *The Clarinet of the Twenty-First Century*.

As can be predicted from their impressive resumes along with the quality of music they have chosen to perform, Eckert, Heyman, and Richards will surely offer us an entertaining and enjoyable evening.

All are welcome to meet the performers after the concert at a reception that will be held in Shambach 108. The remaining musical events to be hosted at Wellin Hall this month include performances by the Hamilton College Jazz Ensemble on Wednesday, November 20, and by the Music at Hamilton Artist's Series featured pianist Mykola Suk on Friday, November 22.

Thus far, the Music Department has done a fine job of providing audiences with entertainment both from community members and outside performers.

PHOTO BY JULIE LOSAURO '99

***Moe's Lucky Seven* by Marlene Meyer continues through this weekend at Minor Theatre. Admission is $3 for the Hamilton Community and $5 General Admission. It will be performed at 8 PM from November 6th through the 9th. For a full review, see last week's issue.**

The tragic side of Sheryl Crow

By Colin Carman '00
A&E Writer

I made two predictions last fall; the first that Madonna would win an Oscar nomination for her portrayal of Evita; the second that Sheryl Crow's sophomore effort would be stellar. Both Madonna and Sheryl have been the objects of media doubt. When the revenues of "Erotica" and the now-infamous Sex book didn't live up to standards, critics speculated that the Material Girl's career had finally fizzled. Although "Take A Bow" boosted the sales of 1994's "Bedtime Stories," Madonna just isn't creating hits like "Holiday" or "Vogue" anymore. The media is waiting to see if Madonna can resuscitate her career with "Evita."

Sheryl Crow had some big expectations to fulfill also. There was no immediate follow-up to her Grammy-winning, 1993 album "*Tuesday Night Music Club.*" She contributed some great covers to the "If I Were A Carpenter" compilation and "Boys On The Side" soundtrack, but a full-length record was nowhere in sight. On May 18th, Crow's ex-boyfriend, Kevin Gilbert, who collaborated on the the debut album, was found dead in his home due to what the coroner's office later called "autoerotic asphyxiation." (He was found with a hood and skirt on.) Then, the musicians involved in "Tuesday Night Music Club" lashed out against Crow for stealing the lime light.

Ever wonder why Crow's hit song, "Leaving Las Vegas," wasn't included in the acclaimed film "Leaving Las Vegas?" It would seem to be an obvious choice, right? Well, there's a tragic explanation, involving yet another suicide. David Baerwald was one of the many musicians who worked on Crow's debut album. He befriended John O'Brien, an unknown alcoholic, who was writing a loosely autobiographical novel about a man who moves to Las Vegas to drink himself to death.

O'Brien inspired Baerwald to write Crow's first hit single. In March of 1994, after performing "Leaving Las Vegas" on Late Show, Letterman asked her if the song was autobiographical. Crow answered "Yes," thus sparking a major war between Baerwald and herself. (Crow later confessed: "As soon as I said the word yes, I was doomed. But, hey, you learn as you go.") According to John O'Brien's sister, Crow's statement destroyed the novelist. O'Brien published his novel, then committed suicide three weeks later. Baerwald publicly blamed Crow for the tragic death.

Amazingly, Crow has managed to rebound from accusations and atrocities, and release an impressive follow-up to "Tuesday Night Music Club." The new Sheryl Crow isn't quite as refined. The album is deliberately self-titled, as if to say: "This is the real Crow." Striking a sad, even grungy, pose on the cover, this album is a departure from the jukebox ditties that made Crow an American sweetheart.

In the first single, "If It Makes You Happy," she cries: "I'm not the kind of girl you'd take home." She managed to have the album boycotted by Walmart for the lyric: "Watch our children kill each other with a gun they bought from Walmart discount stores." Crow's new sound still possesses the back-water, hip-bumpin' quality that you'd imagine in a Mid Western saloon, but the lyrics have an edge.

In "Hard To Take A Stand," an overtly pro-choice song, she warns against moralism: "Great big guns and small ambitions/And we still argue over who is God." She questions Clinton's foreign policy in "Redemption Day," which she composed after entertaining the troops in Bosnia. She ends the song by repeating "Freedom." Having set out on her own, "Freedom" is a cry of both relief and anticipation.

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Sheryl Crow makes a comeback with her self-titled album.

Folk singer Bill Staines to perform at the Events Barn

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Anyone not familiar with the music of Bill Staines is in for a special treat.

For over twenty five years, Bill has traveled back and forth across North America, singing his songs and delighting audiences at festivals, folksong societies, colleges, concerts, clubs, and coffeehouses. A New England native, Bill quickly became involved with the Boston-Cambridge folk scene in the early 1960's and, for a time, emceed the Sunday hootenanny at the renowned Club 47 in Cambridge.

Bill quickly became a popular performer in the Boston area. In 1971, after one of his performances, a reviewer for *The Phoenix* stated that Bill was "simply Boston's best performer."

A decade later, both in 1980 and 1981, the annual Reader's Poll of *The Boston Globe* selected him as a favorite performer. In 1991, Bill entered his forth decade as a folk performer with an international reputation as an artist.

Singing mostly his own songs, he has become one of the most popular singers on the folk music circuit today and averages around 200 concert dates a year.

Bill weaves a magical blend of wit and gentle humor into his performances, and as one reviewer wrote, "he has a sense of timing to match the best stand-up comic." His music is a slice of Americana, reflecting with the same ease, his feelings about the prairie people of the Midwest or the adventurers of the Yukon.

Interspersed between original songs, Bill also includes songs ranging from traditional folk tunes to more contemporary country ballads and delights in having the audience participate in many of the numbers. He may even do a yodeling tune or two - having won the National Yodeling Championship in 1975 at the Kerrville Folk Festival in Kerrville, Texas.

A number of Bill's songs have been recorded by other artists including Makem and Clancy, Nanci Griffith, Mason Williams, Glen Yarborough, Jerry Jeff Walker, Grandpa Jones, Priscilla Herdman and others.

Bill has recorded eighteen of his own albums, fourteen of which are still in print. Additionally, Bill's songs have been published in four available songbooks. *If I Were a Word, Then I'd be a Song, River, Music To Me, The Songs of Bill Staines,* and *All God's Critters Got a Place in the Choir.* Two of the books contain nearly one hundred of Bill's songs.

Radio and TV appearances have included "A Prairie Home Companion," "Mountain Stage," "The Good Evening Show" and a host of local programs on PBS and network TV. Bill continues to drive over 65,000 miles a year, doing what he loves, bringing music to people.

Bill will play the Events Barn this Thursday at 8 p.m.

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Tuesday: In the KJ Red Pit at 4 pm Sungar Savran, Adam Lutzker, Erol Balkan, Chandra Mohanty, and Joseph Dorsey will discuss "Globalization of Class, Race and Gender." Sponsored by Kirkland Project, the Economics and Government Department.

Tuesday: At 8 pm there will be an AAUP Journal Club Lecture in the Assembly Room of Bristol on "Economic Liberalization, Class Culture, and Education in Istanbul, Turkey." Given by Henry Rutz, Anthropology, and Erol Balkan, Economics.

Wednesday: At 7 pm Governor Douglas Wilder will speak in the Chapel on "Social and Political Challenges in the 1996 Election." Sponsored by the Root-Jessup Public Affairs Council.

FILM

The Birdcage: Armand Goldman owns a popular drag nightclub in South Miami Beach. His long-time lover, Albert, stars there as the drag queen Starina. "Their" son Val (actually Armand's by his one heterosexual fling, twenty years before) comes home to announce his engagement to Barbara Keely, daughter of Kevin Keely, US Senator, and vice president of the Coalition for Moral Order. The Senator and family descend upon South Beach to meet Val and his father and "mother." In the KJ Auditorium at 7:30 pm Friday and Sunday and at 10 pm on Saturday. Presented by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society.

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***Birdcage's* Nathan Lane**

ARTS

Friday and Saturday: "Moe's Lucky Seven", directed by Carole Bellini-Sharp, will be performed in Minor Theatre at 8 pm. Sponsored by the Department of Theatre and Dance.

Friday: At 8 pm in the Chapel the Hamiltones, Special K, and Buffers will perform with the MIddlebury Bobolinks. Sponsored by the Hamiltones.

Saturday: Renaissance Music and Dance of Poland (1500-1750) will be presented by The Foundation for Central European Culture and the Hamilton College Choir, in Wellin Hall at 8 pm.

Thursday: In Minor Theatre at 8 pm "Run it Down: An Evening of Stories, Music and Poetry" will be given by David Raphael Gonzales. Sponsored by the Department of Theatre and Dance.

CHECK IT OUT

Saturday: At 8 pm the New Nile Orchestra will perform in the Events Barn. Sponsored by CAB.

Thursday: There will be an Acoustic Coffeehouse performed by Bill Staines with David Massengill in the Events Barn at 8 pm. Sponsored by CAB.

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Swimmers stroke towards December UCAA championships

By Christopher Leahy '97
Sports Writer

The Hamilton Mens and Womens Swimming and Diving teams began their season November first with little fanfare but a lot of determination. While most rival swimming programs have been working out full force since September first, NESCAC rules set the start of members' seasons at Nov. 1. This late start puts the Continental squads at an obvious perennial disadvantage. The teams now have to play catch-up in what becomes, in many ways, a race against time.

The swimming season is unique because it is structured in a strictly linear fashion - that is, everything the team does from now until February is geared towards one meet, the State Championships. While the team does have dual and several invitational meets on their schedule, there is little or no break in training or specific preparation for most of these events. For the four-month season, the focus is always on working towards an end - which for some can be an event that lasts as long as ten minutes or as little as 21 seconds.

Head Coach Dave Thompson observes, "These swimmers are people who have chosen a difficult path. Our season basically comes down to one meet, and until then, there is little reward and extreme demands placed upon them."

To train in such a manner, the season is broken into phases. The beginning of practice ended a preseason general fitness phase during which most of the swimmers worked out individually to prepare for the season. The first phase of the season, the general endurance phase, covers November and December and consists of mainly heavy training punctuated by some early away meets.

This period culminates with the early December UCAA championships held at Hamilton. This conference meet provides a good opportunity for the teams to gauge their progress, and, this year, to defend the championship titles they took at last year's meet. Main rival Union will look to pour it on early this year. This meet, spread over a Friday and Saturday, will be an excellent chance for the Hamilton community to come out and support the Continentals, and perhaps get a better idea of what they actually do down at the Bristol Pool.

After a brief winter break, the teams will travel to Curacao for their winter training trip as part of the specific endurance phase - here they will do their hardest work of the season (swimming upwards of 6 miles per day in interval training). The team has been fundraising all through this semester to raise money to cover the costs of their trip.

A dual meet at home against Union at the start of the second semester will hopefully draw a crowd to see the bitter rivalry unfold. The following month will see a shift into race preparation phases for the final meet, the State Championship, in mid-February. Both teams have the title in sight this year.

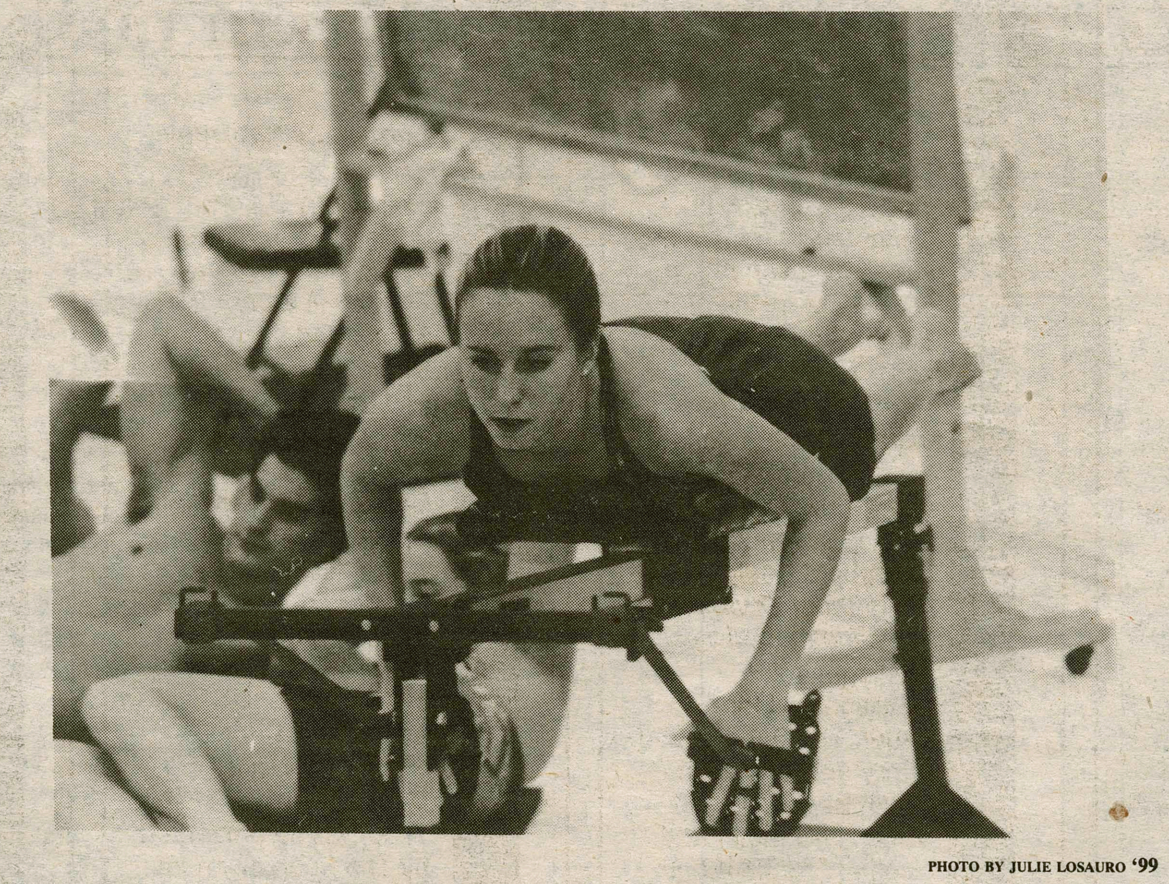

PHOTO BY JULIE LOSAURO '99

Alyssa Ball '99 practices her strokes in intense concentration.

From make-up to work ethic, the men's team - led by co-captains Judd Taylor '97 and Mark Moldenhauer '97 and the women's team - led by co-captains Heather Wayne '97 and Vicki Massoud '97, are really teams of extremes. Both squads have good numbers of seasoned senior veterans and also high numbers of first-year students expected to be significant contributors.

As Coach Thompson commented, "We don't have any 'superstars' this year - just a dedicated group of men and women that I think are going to surprise a lot of people. We will be relying on everyone."

The team itself will endure extremes in training - from exhausting intensity to relaxed race-specific work as their goal draws near. There is, however, a good sense of comraderie and enthusiasm on the squads this year. Swimming and diving are traditionally lonely sports, often overlooked by avid sports fans - a fact known well for many that have been at the sports now for anywhere from 6-15 years. The teams are forced to "look out for and support their own," according to their coach, a job they do consistently well.

If and when you attend a meet, bear in mind the 40 + swimmers are on a longer road to their ultimate swims at the end of the season. Your support and encouragement can and will make a difference anywhere along that path. When you train four months for what may be a 50 second swim or one specific dive, even just a thumbs up from someone in the crowd can be an inspiration.

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Friday Nov 8					NESCAC Champs. TBA		
Saturday Nov 9							Bates 1:30 pm
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Monday Nov 11							
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Wednesday Nov 13							
Thursday Nov 14							
Friday Nov 15							

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WHCL: More than just music this season

By Jeff Turcotte '99
Sports Writer

As winter decends on the Hill, WHCL Sports is kicking into high gear in anticipation of a great season of live sports coverage. Expectations are high for teams this year and WHCL, using the most up-to-date broadcasting equipment, will bring you all the hard-hitting action that you have come to expect from your Continentals. So if you're not cheering for your favorite Hamilton team in the stands, keep your radio tuned to WHCL for plenty of sports action this winter.

Coach Phil Grady's hockey squad is coming off an outstanding season which saw the Conts power their way into the ECAC finals. WHCL brought you every Hamilton contest of the tournament, and wherever the hockey team goes in 96-97, ter a disappointing home loss in the first round of the NCAA Division III tournament last winter, the Conts are eager to prove that they once again can compete with the best teams in the Northeast. Hamilton opens the season with four crucial games at home, which will take the team into break and the toughest part of their schedule. Jan. 24 is the day that the Conts look to avenge last year's first round upset when they travel north to face St. Lawrence. From there, Hamilton plays two key games which should tell Coach Murphy a great deal about the calibur of his young but energetic team. Ivy League powerhouse Princeton, a Final 32 team in the NCAA Division I tournment last year, will host Hamilton on Jan. 27. After the Tigers, the Conts return to Clinton to face the Purple Ephs of Williams in the friendly confines of the Margaret Bundy Scott Field House.

> "So if you're not cheering for your favorite team in the stands, keep your radio tuned to WHCL for plenty of sports action."

WHCL will be right there with them. Bringing you the sights and sounds this year will be the veteran broadcasting trio of Dave Weaver '97, Jeff Michael '97, and Ante Galic '97. Hamilton opens up with three tough games on the road, but returns home on Tuesday Dec. 3 for the annual Citrus Game against Oswego. The Conts then face North Adams on Dec. 6, last season's ECAC nemisis, the Lord Jeffs of Amherst on Dec. 7, and the Hobart Statesmen on Dec. 10. After break Hamilton runs into powerhouses Middlebury, Babson, and Williams. These games provide exciting previews of possible playoff match-ups. WHCL will also be bringing you action from the women's ice hockey team's inaugural season as they attempt to rise to ECAC powerhouse status. This will be an exciting year for the hockey teams and WHCL either wants you "Raging in the Sage", or keeping your radio tuned to 88.7.

Nobody is more ready to start the winter season than Coach Tom Murphy and his basketball team. Af- WHCL's broadcasting crew will be young but energetic this year. Led by Nathaniel Hurd '99, Jeff Turcotte '99, and Dave Bolger '99, the basketball team will be covered by a variety of well-schooled Sam Walker/Jon Innes disciples. The Conts open up against SUNY Utica on Dec. 3. The Dawg Pound will be jumping to get the 96-97 hoop season started off right.

WHCL also brings you the best in sports talk shows throughout the week. Dave Weaver and Ante Galic recap all of your weekend action from 6-7 p.m. on Sunday, and get you through the week. "Let's Get Ready to Rumble" (Mon. 7:30-8:00 p.m.) and "Bleacher Creatures" (Wed. 7-8) get you ready for the weekend's key matchups.

Hamilton 'opponents (like the snow) will be falling early and often this winter. If you get snowed in and can't make it down to to Sage Rink or Scott Field House, kick back, turn your radio to WHCL, and let us bring the action to you.

Beat the "Experts"

Each pick has been selected to win the contest outright. *If any given game ends in a tie, that game is thrown out of the lineup. Beat the "Experts"* is by no means associated with organized gambling on professional or college sports. Whichever Guest Handicapper posts the best winning percentage during their week will be selected as *Hamilton's Athlete of the Week* (honorary) in the final issue of this semester and will be entitled to all the perks therein, namely an all-expense paid dinner with our one and only celebrity Sports Editor, Mark Granovsky, as well as their picture in *The Spectator.*

Specially Selected Sporting Events	Mark Granovsky *Spectator Sports Editor*	Oren Rawls *Associate Sports Editor*	Buzz Carobus Junior *Special Guest*	Nathaniel Hurd Sophomore *Guest #17*	Laurel Bookman Junior *Guest #18*
	Last Week: 8-4 To date: 56-39	Last Week: 7-5 To date: 60-35	Last Week: 8-4 To date: 59-36	Last Week's Guest: Marc Lingnau '97 8-4	Last Week's Guest: Corey Landstrom 8-4
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Green Bay at Kansas City 11/10	Kansas City	Green Bay	Green Bay	Green Bay	Kansas City
Indianapolis at Miami 11/10	Miami	Indianapolis	Indianapolis	Miami	Miami
Houston at New Orleans 11/10	Houston	Houston	Houston	Houston	Houston
New England at NY Jets 11/10	New England	New England	New England	New England	New England
Buffalo at Philadelphia 11/10	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	Philadelphia	Philadelphia
Oakland at Tampa Bay 11/10	Oakland	Oakland	Oakland	Tampa Bay	Oakland
Arizona at Washington 11/10	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington
Chicago at Denver 11/10	Denver	Denver	Denver	Chicago	Denver
Baltimore at Jacksonville 11/10	Baltimore	Baltimore	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Jacksonville
Minnesota at Seattle 11/10	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Seattle	Seattle
Atlanta at St. Louis 11/10	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis	Atlanta	St. Louis

If you think that you can beat these "experts," drop us a line and we will try to get you in. Write "I can beat the experts" on a piece of paper and add your name, then fold it and address it to the sports editor at *The Spectator*. Drop it in campus mail and if you're randomly selected, you'll quickly receive a form for you to make your picks.

Cash Prizes Awarded

The winners of the first round of cash prizes for this semesters Psych Reasearch prize are:

Antoine Oliver '99 Walt Sosa '99

Caroline Gray '99 Dan Mauntz '99

Each will recieve $25 in cash from the Psych Dept. for their participation in this semesters reasearch project.

The Final Prize Drawing Awaits!

Women's soccer ends season at 7-7, Robeson has unforgettable season

BY MARK GRANOVSKY '98
SPORTS EDITOR

The women's soccer team had an inconsistent season in 1996. Hamilton had flashes of brilliance, but not consistently. Impressive victories followed disappointing losses and their record of 7-7 merely emphasizes that fact. Yet, the year proved memorable thanks to the outstanding play of Christina Robeson '97. She made Hamilton history and was the story (besides volleyball) of the fall season.

After a 3-1 loss to Oneonta in the season opener, Hamilton defeated a tough Oswego squad by an identical score of 3-1 in the second game. Oswego State entered the game with a 3-0 record in 1996. Facing troubles with the weather, the Continentals fell behind 1-0 on a goal by Missy Verdoliva. Yet, that lead was erased on an excellent goal by Marissa Solomon '99. Solomon later added a second goal on a corner kick by Robeson. Gretchen Randall '98 scored the third and final tally. Goalie Carrie Fasset '99 stopped seven shots in the win and Hamilton stood at an even 1-1 on the season.

On September 17th, history was made despite a loss to the Union Dutchmen. Robeson moved into first place on Hamilton's goal scoring list with 28. The tally put her ahead of Heide Katerba who reached 27 in 1989. Robeson, with the point, gave her 65 points in her career-good for second place on Hamilton's all-time list. Yet, there was a game to be played and Hamilton lost a nail-biter by a score of 3-2. Goalie Kerry Maxwell '99 managed eleven saves in the loss.

After strong wins against Hartwick and Russell Sage, 4-2 and 4-0, respectively, Hamilton lost to a tough Rensselaer squad 2-0. The Continentals stood at 3-4 after seven games and the team questioned their playoff chances. On October 17th, Hamilton defeated the Clarkson Golden Knights by a score of 3-1. After Clarkson took a 1-0 lead, Solomon put Hamilton on the board with an assist by Amanda Chaimovitch '00. Chaimovitch also added her own goal in the win, while history was made in this bittersweet win for another reason. Robeson, with her fourth goal of the season, broke the Hamilton all-time points record for women's soccer. Her 71st point gave Hamilton the lead with a mere 30:21 remaining in the game.

After traveling upstate to Canton, NY to defeat the St. Lawrence Saints 4-2, Hamilton traveled downstate to face the Skidmore Thoroughbreds. Long a good soccer team, the Thoroughbreds outlasted the Continentals 2-0. Hamilton fell to 5-5 after ten games. With four games remaining, Hamilton would have to win at least three to get into the playoffs.

The women edged the Middlebury Panthers in a 1-0 shutout. In front of the Clinton faithful, Christina Robeson scored with 33:51 remaining in the first half. While the Panthers had two scoring chances with under five minutes to go, they could not break the incredible defense of goalie Azure Davey '00. Her seventeen saves were the real difference in the game. Middlebury fell to 4-5 with the loss.

PHOTO BY JULIE LOSAURO '99
Women's soccer played with a vengance this year.

After a 1-0 loss to Rochester, Hamilton led a blitzkrieg attack on the hapless Utica Pioneers. In the 9-0 win, Robeson and Alissa Lange '00 scored two goals a piece, while Solomon added a goal and two assists. Carrie Armstrong '99, added an assist, her first point of the 1996 season, in the rout. A 2-0 loss to Potsdam State ended the season with a fair 7-7 record. Hamilton went 6-7-1 in 1995.

Christina Robeson accumulated 23 points on the year with nine goals and five assists. She ends her Hamilton career with an unthinkable 36 goals and eleven assists (83 points). Marissa Solomon ended the year with six goals and five assists in fourteen games (17 points). Alissa Lange finished third in scoring with six goals and an assist. Azure Davey saved 127 shots in her eight games, while accumulating a 3-4 record.

A record never tells the whole story of a season and that is evident in the women's soccer team. Despite the defeats and problems, it stands a team with a lot of talent and determination. Those are the strengths that create future playoff contenders.

Hamilton to host NESCAC Volleyball Championship

SPECIAL TO
SPECTATOR SPORTS

Hamilton College will be hosting the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) Championship on Fri., Nov. 8 and Sat., Nov. 9 in the Margaret Scott Bundy Field House. All eleven conference teams will be participating. Hamilton, seeded fourth with a record of 19-5, plays fifth-seed Wesleyan (13-12) on Friday at 5 p.m.

PLAYERS TO WATCH
Sheila Green '97
Christina Clark '97
Jen Lentek '99
Angela Whitford '99
Sarah Tschampel '00

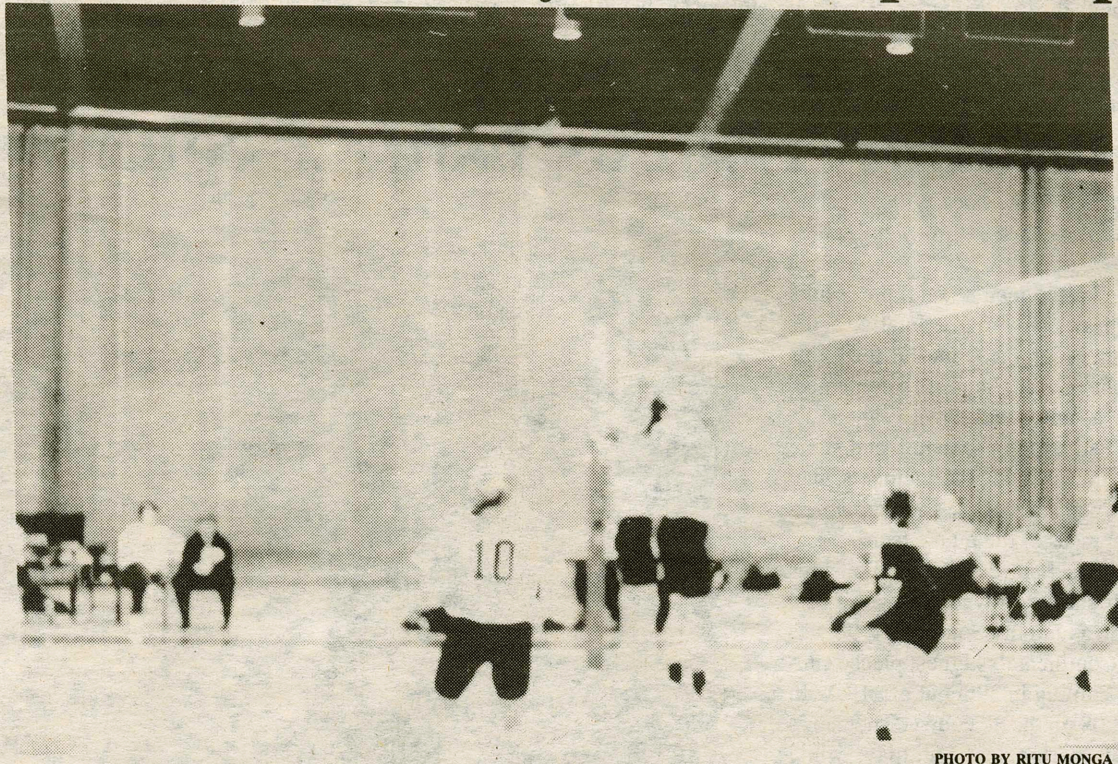

PHOTO BY RITU MONGA '99
The Continentals are up for a block party this weekend when Hamilton hosts the NESCAC volleyball championship.

NESCAC VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS - FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOV. 8 & 9

FIRST ROUND:
FRIDAY, NOV. 8

#1 Tufts (23-5) bye
#2 Williams (25-4) bye
#3 Amherst (22-11) bye
#4 Hamilton (19-5) bye
#5 Wesleyan (13-12) bye
#6 Middlebury (15-9) vs.
#11 Bowdoin (4-24)
#7 Colby (12-12) vs.
#10 Conn. (7-17)
#8 Trinity (11-10) vs.
#9 Bates (10-24)

SECOND ROUND:
#4 Hamilton vs.
#5 Wesleyan FRI. TBA
#1 Tufts vs. winner of
#8Trinity vs. #9 Bates
SAT. 7:30 P.M.
#3 Amherst vs. winner of
#6 Middlebury vs.
#11 Bowdoin SAT. 7:30
#2 Williams vs. winner of
#7 Colby vs. #10 Conn.
SAT. 7:30 P.M.

SEMI-FINALS:
SAT. 11:30 A.M.

FINALS:
SAT. 3:00 P.M.

Good luck to the Hamilton volleyball team from *The Spectator*

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SPECTATOR SPORTS

Middlebury Panthers rock Continentals 27-20

Spoil Parent's Weekend and win rocking chair classic

BY DAVE SYLOFSKI '97
SPORTS WRITER

Sometimes the weather tells the story. At Steuben Field, the snow would arrive intermittently and then give way to bright sunshine, and then back again. The Continental football squad was just as unpredictable. Flashes of brilliance were followed by costly penalties and defensive breakdowns. The team that could do no wrong for three straight games could do little right last Saturday as they fell 27-20 to Middlebury.

FOOTBALL	
HAMILTON	20
MIDDLEBURY	27

The Panthers set the tone early with two quick first quarter touchdowns. The scoring opened at the 7:28 mark as quarterback Brain Coates connected with tight end Tadhg Campbell on a 14-yard scoring stroke. An interception gave Middlebury field position deep in Hamilton territory. The Panthers capitalized with 1:07 remaining in the quarter, this time on a three-yard TD run by Shawn Tierney. A completed extra point gave Middlebury a 14-0 lead.

The Continental offense accomplished little until late in the first half. Quarterback Dan DeBlois '97 marched Hamilton to the Panther five-yard line on a series of short passes. Unable to find a receiver, DeBlois scrambled into the corner of the endzone for the Conts' first touchdown. A missed extra point gave Middlebury a 14-6 lead. After the ensuing kickoff Middlebury fumbled on its first play from scrimmage. On the very next play, DeBlois hit wideout Ben Johnson '97 in full stride for a brilliant 30-yard TD pass. A failed two-point conversion left the Conts with a two point halftime deficit, 14-12.

Middlebury opened the second half much like the first as Coates hit Campbell on a four-yard touchdown pass at the 11:38 mark. Hamilton threatened to score in the third quarter but instead were crippled by penalties and dropped passes. A questionable clipping penalty nullified a 15-yard first down run by DeBlois. Scott Milleisen '97 ran a screen pass 40 yards to the Panther 12-yard line, only to have an illegal man downfield call kill the opportunity.

The Panthers increased their lead again as Coates hit A. J. Husband on a five-yard toss early in the fourth quarter. Ben Johnson elevated to block the extra point, leaving the margin at 27-12. Hamilton drove again into Panther territory midway through the fourth quarter. The Cont offense capitalized on a one-yard TD run by Milleisen. DeBlois hit Johnson for the two-point conversion to cut the lead to 27-20.

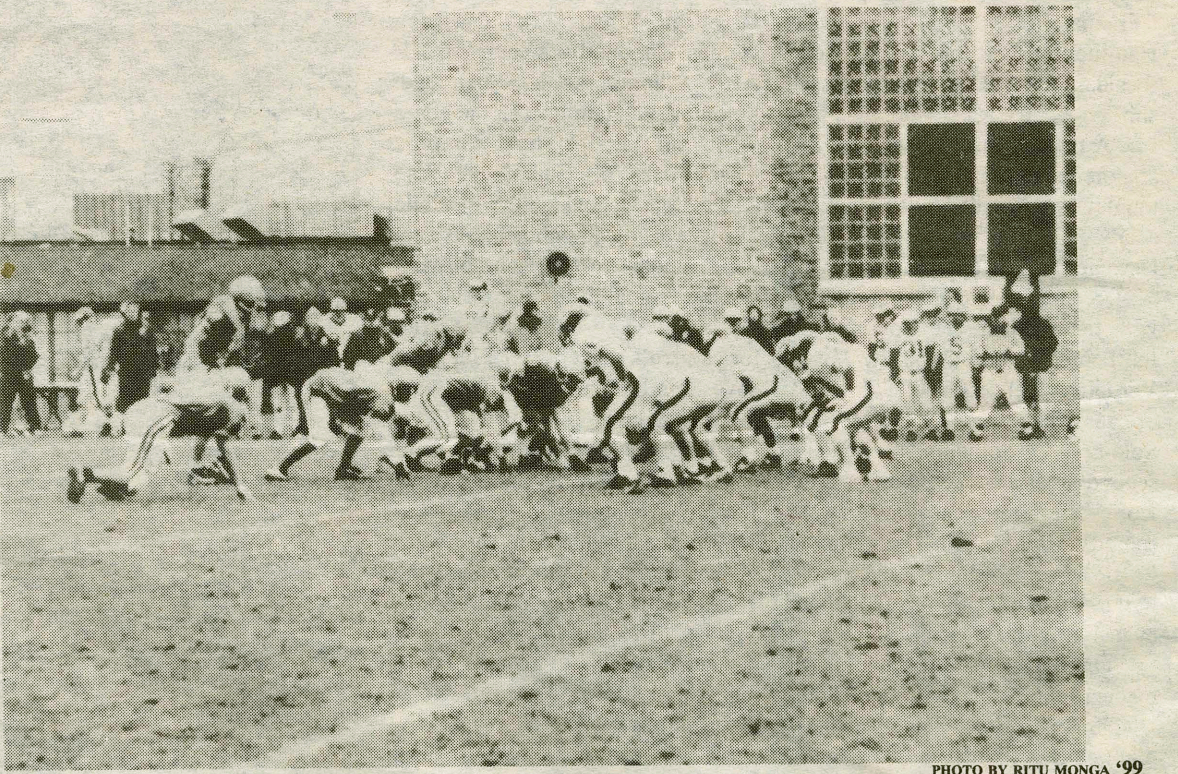

PHOTO BY RITU MONGA '99

The Continentals claw their way against the Panthers.

Middlebury took over the ball with 4:43 remaining. The Continentals needed a big defensive stop to deliver the offense one more chance. They were unable to force a punt as three Middlebury first downs sealed the victory for the Panthers.

For Hamilton, DeBlois threw 51 passes, completing 30 for 244 yards and one touchdown. Johnson caught eight passes for a career-high 114 yards. Fullback Adam Hodges '97 broke the single season reception record as he caught his 53rd pass.

For Middlebury, tailback Brad Gottfred led the way with 154 yards over 33 carries. Coates completed 14 of 20 passes for 137 yards and three touchdowns. Tadhg Campbell caught five passes for 57 yards and two TDs.

The Continentals travel to the blustery cold of Maine for Saturday's matchup against Bates. The Bobcat team can be described in one word: pathetic. The perennial NESCAC whipping boy has a 1-45-1 record over the past six years. The Delta Upsilon intramural football team could give these guys a good game.

Wasilenko, Bufalini, Loomis leads x-country to victory

FELICIA HOLTZMAN '00
SPORTS WRITER

The women's cross country team ran yet another outstanding race last weekend at the state championships at Rochester. While the men's team struggled a bit more, they came away with twelfth place. Preparations for the NCAA Regional hosted by RIT this Saturday are well underway as the cross country season begins to conclude.

Sophomore Katie Wasilenko led the women to win second place as she ran a time of 20:02 on the 5k course and took second place individually as well. Out of 129 women runners, three Continentals ran times in the top 25. Joining Wasilenko in the top 25 were junior Veronica Bufalini in 9th place with a time of 20:23 and first year Robin Loomis running a 20:50 which brought her to 23rd place.

This winning team has made tremendous improvement and progress from the beginning of the season. Following the initial two races in early September, women's cross country won three consecutive meets in October. First, the team took Rensselaer's team 20-43 and the next week stole the UCAA Championship at St. Lawrence. Adding to that success, the Continentals hosted their own invitational against Hobart and William Smith, LeMoyne and Clarkson conquering all three teams on October 12th. After some fierce competition at the NESCAC meet at Williams the subsequent weekend, Hamilton came back with a second place finish last Saturday at Rochester.

For the men's team, the results were not always representative of the effort which the team put forth this season. Coach Brett Hull commented, "It was an up and down year for us. We had a tough schedule and some key injuries." These elements may have been part of the vacillating performances of the men's team.

Last Saturday's championships at Rochester proved to be a bit of a battle as Jeremy Sokolnicki '98 was the Continentals highest placed runner, coming in 39th out of 119, with a 28:08 on the 8k course. The men's meets before last Saturday, while hardly ever ending in losses, often concluded with the men's team placing second or third. At the UCAA Championship at St. Lawrence on October 5th, the men's team placed third and the following weekend they came in second in Hamilton's Invitational.

This Saturday both the women's and men's teams face close to twenty other teams in RIT's NCAA regional. The teams competing in this event encompass any Division III Cross Country team in New York state. After Saturday, the teams will run in their final meet on November 16th in the NCAA championship.

As the season wraps up, Coach Brett Hull and Coach Ellen Hull already are underway in preparing for next year's teams. Coach Brett Hull spoke about what this year's young team has been learning in order to build up their strength for the remainder of the season and for next year.

PHOTO BY SHANNON OSBORN '99

Cross country team builds up its strength.

Although the men's team loses seniors Tom Capo, Dane Wolfrom and Justin Ledden after this season, Hull said, "I have been trying to teach the younger members how to run the 5 mile distance which they aren't used to doing coming out of high school." Hull added, "I hope to see next year's team rise to a new level with the returning runners and some new talented first years."

While many of the outcomes of the men's team were disappointing, the team remained in the top ten for the majority of the season. "We were ranked in the top ten in New York state 6 out of the 11 weeks and in fact, we still are ranked in the top ten. Plus, we had 2 of our top people out on injuries which made it difficult." Taking into consideration what the team did accomplish with a limited number of people and a very young team, next's years team should achieve much more competitive results.

On the other hand, the women's team loses only one senior, Maria Gara, and keeps many of its key runners. The women's team made significant progress through out the season after losing 5 individuals in the top 7 in the previous season. Coach Brett Hull added, "The women's squad will be much more experienced next year with practically everyone returning." The women's team will continue to build on what they have attained this season.

As the teams condition to run on Saturday, they move toward the conclusion of a fine season. The teams will continue to train and build on their skills in hopes of improving even more next season.